

Peacham Vermont



Annual Report 2014
Town and School

Town Meeting Day

Tuesday March 3rd, 2015

10:00 AM

(Town Meeting followed by School District Meeting)

Peacham Congregational Church

TOWN MEETING LUNCHEON



POT LUCK!

Please bring your best dish to make this traditional dinner the best ever.

Last names beginning with **N-Z please bring a Main Dish
A-M bring a Side Dish or Salad**

Beverages, rolls and desserts provided!

\$4.00 per person

Children 5 and under are free.

Thanks – Peacham Collaborators and Peacham Café Group

Annual Report
of the Town Officers
TOWN OF PEACHAM
Town Reports
Vermont
2014



TOWN FISCAL YEAR ENDING
December 31st, 2014

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Warning

The legal voters of the Town of Peacham are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Peacham Congregational Church in the Town of Peacham on **Tuesday, March 3, 2015** at 10:00 AM to transact the following business:

1. To elect a Moderator to conduct and govern the meeting and to continue to serve as Moderator for a term of one year or until his or her successor is elected.
2. To receive the report of the Town Auditors.
3. Shall the voters approve total general fund expenditures of \$784,966.50, of which \$482,428.00 shall be raised by taxes and \$302,538.50 by nontax revenue?
4. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$30,083 to be raised in taxes to support the following organizations?

Organization	Requested Appropriation for 2015
Area Agency on Aging for Northeastern Vermont	\$660.00
Caledonia Home Health Care and Hospice	\$2,000.00
Catamount Arts	\$500.00
Danville Rescue	\$11,704.00
Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium	\$650.00
GreenUp Vermont	50.00
Kingdom Animal Shelter	\$500.00
Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc. (Adult Basic Education)	\$250.00
Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.	\$769.00
Northeast Kingdom Youth Services	\$500.00
Peacham Community Housing	\$1,000.00
Peacham Fire District #1	\$1,500.00
Peacham Library	\$9,000.00
Umbrella	\$500.00
Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired	\$500.00
Total	<u>\$30,083.00</u>

5. Shall the Town pay its real property taxes to the Town Treasurer on or before November 2, 2015, with delinquent taxes having interest charges of one percent per month and with an eight percent penalty charged against them from the due date?
6. To elect a Town Clerk for a term of one year.
7. To elect a Town Treasurer and Tax Collector for a term of one year.
8. To elect a Selectboard member for a term of three years.

9. To elect a Lister for a term of three years.
10. To elect an Auditor for a term of three years.
11. To elect a Grand Juror for a term of one year.
12. To elect a Town Agent for a term of one year.
13. To elect a First Constable for a term of one year.
14. To elect a Second Constable a term of one year.
15. To elect a Delinquent Tax Collector for a term of one year.
16. To elect a Trustee of the Peacham Library for a term of three years.
17. To transact any other non-binding business that may legally come before the meeting.

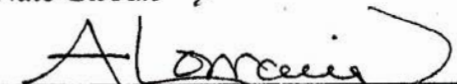
Done at Peacham, Vermont: January 24, 2015



Andy Cochran, Chair

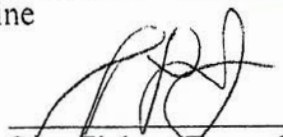


Nate Giroux



Annette Lorraine

ATTEST:



Stan Fickes, Town Clerk & Treasurer

Special Appropriation Requests 2015 - Information Sheet

(Requests received as of 1/20/15 deadline)

2015 Appropriation

ORGANIZATION Request Services to Peacham (see agency reports for further information)

Area Agency on Aging for Northeastern Vermont	*\$660	Services to seniors; senior meals programs; wellness programs; health insurance counseling; family caregiver support; elder justice advocacy; Senior Companion program; benefits advocacy; problem-solving for Social Security and insurance; budgeting assistance.
Caledonia Home Health Care and Hospice	*\$2,000	Home health care; hospice; long-term care; maternal/child care; homemaking; nursing visits; home health aides; therapy visits. 452 in-home services and visits in Peacham in 2014.
Catamount Arts	*\$500	Regional arts education, live performances, film programs and festival, gallery exhibits, First Night.
Danville Rescue	*\$11,704	Emergency ambulance services. Based on per capita request of \$17.50 across all towns served.
Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium	*\$650	Based on 2000 census at \$1 per resident. Provides free unlimited general admission for all Peacham residents; offers science education programs, weather and information services.
Kingdom Animal Shelter	*\$500	To facilitate placement of stray and unwanted animals and pets (cats); to establish and maintain an animal shelter; and to prevent overpopulation and cruelty to animals.
Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.	*\$769	Mental health services (request based on \$1.05 per resident from 2010 census).
Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc. (Adult Basic Education)	*\$250	Literacy tutoring; GED preparation, dropout recovery program.
Northeast Kingdom Youth Services	*\$500	Services to teens; parent education program; Living Room day shelter for teens; court diversion program; school outreach/mentoring programs; transitional living assistance.
Peacham Community Housing	*\$1,000	Senior housing and community development project support, including Peacham Café, Farmer's Market, and Acoustic Music Festival.
Peacham Fire District #1	*\$1,500	Maintains water supply for Peacham Village, including public facilities and gathering places.
Peacham Library	\$9,000	Library services and programs, INCREASED REQUEST by PETITION (\$7,500 in 2014).
Umbrella	*\$500	Counseling; safe house network; childcare assistance for women, children, families in crisis.
Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired	*\$500	Training, services, support for visually impaired Vermonters.
Vermont Green-Up	\$50	Green Up Day activities and supplies in Peacham provided by VT Green-Up.
Total Requests	\$30,083	

*Same amount as requested and appropriated in 2014.

– Charlie Browne, Josette Lyders, Mary Ellen Reis, Peacham Appropriations Committee

Minutes for the Town Meeting 2014

The legal voters of the Town of Peacham met at the Peacham Congregational Church in Peacham on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at 1:00 PM.

Tim McKay thanked everyone who brought food for the tremendous lunch and reminded people that extra desserts were available for a small donation.

Tim McKay introduced Josh Kantrowitz, Peacham Town Health Officer, who announced that he can be reached through the town hall for any health issues. Quarterly meetings have been being held at the Peacham Library concerning health topics. Any health issues the public has can be discussed at the next scheduled meeting on Thursday, March 13th at the Peacham Elementary School.

Article 1 To elect a Moderator to conduct and govern the meeting and to continue to serve as Moderator for a term of one year or until his or her successor is elected.

Charlie Browne nominated Tim McKay. Wynne Browne seconded. Dick Browne moved to close nominations. A voice vote closed nominations. A voice vote was taken and McKay was elected.

Article 2 To receive the report of the Town Auditors.

Town Auditor, Charlie Byron, referred to the auditor's report on page 52 of the Town Report. He announced that for the first time in the last ten years the town has commissioned and completed a professional audit of the town books.

Article 3 To elect a Town Clerk for a term of one year.

John Marshall nominated Stan Fickes for Town Clerk. Charlie Browne seconded. There being no further nominations, Jock Gill moved to close nominations. A voice vote closed nominations. A voice vote was taken. Fickes was elected.

Article 4 To elect a Town Treasurer and Tax Collector for a term of one year.

John Marshall nominated Stan Fickes. Charlie Browne seconded. John Marshall moved to close nominations. Diana Senturia seconded. A voice vote closed nominations. A voice vote was taken. Fickes was elected.

Article 5 To elect a Selectboard member for a term of three years.

Barry Lawson nominated Annette Lorraine. John Marshall seconded. There being no further nominations, Rick Scholes moved to close nominations. Diana Senturia seconded. A voice vote closed nominations. Charlie Browne moved that the Town Clerk be instructed to cast one ballot for Annette Lorraine. Richard Browne seconded. An affirmative voice vote to have the Town Clerk cast one ballot was held. Lorraine elected.

Article 6 To elect a Lister for a term of three years.

Rusty Barber nominated Jackie Kempton. Jim Minichiello seconded. There being no further nominations, Diana Senturia moved to close nominations and to instruct the Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Jackie Kempton. John Marshall seconded. An affirmative voice vote to have the Town Clerk cast one ballot for Jackie Kempton was held. Kempton elected.

Jim Minichiello announced that Town Lister, Jeff Lamphere, was retiring this year and that the town owes Jeff a big round of thanks for his service to the town over the past years.

Article 7 To elect an Auditor for a term of three years.

John Marshall nominated Charlie Byron. Diana Senturia seconded. There being no further nominations, Dick Browne moved to close nominations and to instruct the Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Charlie Byron. Diana Senturia seconded. An affirmative voice vote to have the Town Clerk cast one ballot for Charlie Byron was held. Byron was elected.

Article 8 To elect a Grand Juror for a term of one year.

Dick Browne nominated Charlie Browne. Kathy Corcoran seconded. There being no further nominations, Dick Browne moved to close nominations and to instruct the Town Clerk to cast one ballot for Charlie Browne. Rick Scholes seconded. An affirmative voice vote to have the Town Clerk cast one ballot for Charlie Browne was held. Browne was elected. There was a brief discussion regarding the importance of the Grand Juror position.

Article 9 To elect a Town Agent for a term of one year.

Charlie Browne nominated Bob Fuehrer. John Marshall seconded. There being no further nominations, Jerry Senturia moved that the nominations be closed and that the Town Clerk cast one ballot for Bob Fuehrer. Diana Senturia seconded. An affirmative voice vote to have the Town Clerk cast one ballot for Bob Fuehrer was held. Fuehrer elected.

Article 10 To elect a First Constable for a term of one year.

John Marshall nominated John Sheehan. There being no further nominations, Charlie Browne moved that the nominations be closed and that the Town Clerk cast one ballot for John Sheehan. Diana Senturia seconded. An affirmative voice vote to have the Town Clerk cast one ballot for John Sheehan was held. Sheehan elected.

Article 11 To elect a Second Constable for a term of one year.

Jerry Senturia nominated Bill Thresher. There being no further nominations, Diana Senturia moved to close nominations and instruct the town Clerk to cast one ballot for Bill Thresher. Barry Lawson seconded. An affirmative voice vote to have the Town Clerk cast one ballot for Bill Thresher was held. Thresher elected.

Article 12 To elect a Delinquent Tax Collector for a term of one year.

John Marshall nominated John Sheehan. There being no further nominations, Dick Browne moved to close nominations and to instruct the Town Clerk to cast one ballot for John Sheehan. Diana Senturia seconded. An affirmative voice vote to have the Town Clerk cast one ballot for John Sheehan was held. Sheehan elected.

Article 13 To elect a Trustee of the Peacham Library to fill the remaining year of a three year term.

Jim Minichiello nominated Carolyn Deasy. There being no further nominations, Dick Browne moved that the nominations be closed and that the Town Clerk be instructed to cast one ballot for Carolyn Deasy. Diana Senturia seconded. An affirmative voice vote to have the Town Clerk cast one ballot for Carolyn Deasy was held. Deasy elected. Selectboard member, Andy Cochran, asked that the voters thank Bruce Lafferty, who is retiring this year for his assistance as Town Clerk for the last eight years.

Article 14 Shall the voters approve total general fund expenditures of \$782,342, of which \$482,428 shall be raised by taxes and \$299,914 by nontax revenue?

Diana Senturia moved the motion. Rick Scholes seconded. Dick Browne commended the Selectboard and Road Foreman, Mark Chase, for keeping the roads in such excellent shape. He felt that we should thank Mark Chase, in particular, for dealing with the turnover in personnel and the particularly difficult winter we have had. Dick Browne spoke to Article 14 and indicated that this article is worded completely differently than it has been in the past. He was concerned that the Selectboard, by limiting themselves to a total figure, have limited their ability to respond to emergencies such as the storms we had a few years ago. The Town has always voted on an amount to be raised in taxes not an actual budget figure, and he moved to amend the article to read, "Shall the voters approve \$482,428 to be raised in taxes to defray the expenses of the town." Betsy McKay seconded. Selectboard Chairperson, Annette Lorraine, responded to the amendment. She stated that this is a format that the Vermont League of cities and Towns has recommended for all

towns to use this year. VLCT recognizes that it's acceptable to have other budget numbers, however, the Selectboard does have the authority to exceed the budgeted amount especially in an emergency. Discussion ensued regarding the importance of voting on a budget as compared to the importance of voting on a total amount to be raised by taxes. No further discussion took place. The Moderator explained that a voice vote on the amendment indicated the following: a yes vote would approve the amendment, a no vote would defeat the amendment. A voice vote was taken. The motion to amend Article 14 was defeated. There was no further discussion on Article 14. An affirmative voice vote passed Article 14.

Article 15 Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$30,083 to be raised in taxes to support the following organizations?

APPROPRIATIONS	FY 2014
Area Agency On Aging	\$660.00
Caledonia Home Health & Hospice	\$2,000.00
Catamount Arts	\$500.00
Danville Rescue	\$11,704.00
Danville-Peacham Senior Meals Site	\$800.00
Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium	\$650.00
Kingdom Animal Shelter	\$500.00
Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc. (Adult Basic Education)	\$250.00
Northeast Kingdom Human Services	\$769.00
Northeast Kingdom Youth Services	\$500.00
Peacham Community Housing	\$1,000.00
Peacham Fire District 1	\$1,500.00
Peacham Library	\$7,500.00
Rural Community Transportation, Inc.	\$250.00
Umbrella	\$500.00
Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired	\$500.00
West Danville Community Club	\$500.00
Total Appropriations	\$30,083.00

Jerry Senturia moved the article. Diana Senturia seconded. Charlie Browne, Appropriations Chairperson, spoke to the increase appropriation amount requests. Kathy Corcoran spoke to the increased request from Danville Rescue. She explained that the ESI Danville Rescue Board has changed from Lyndon Rescue to Calnex Rescue for management services. This change will improve emergency services and enable Danville Rescue to survive financially. Charlie Browne clarified the appropriation for the Peacham Library. A footnote shows that the library has asked for an increase in their request this year when, in fact, it is the same as last year's. Rick Scholes moved that the article be amended to include an

additional \$50.00 for Green Up Day. Rusty Barber seconded. Discussion of the amendment and the town's petitioning policy for appropriations ensued. The amendment to Article 15 reads "Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$30,133.00 to be raised in taxes to support the following organizations including \$50.00 to support Green Up Day?" The Moderator called for a voice vote on the amendment. The amendment passed. There being no further discussion, an affirmative voice vote was held. Article 15 passed.

- Article 16 Shall the Town pay its real property taxes to the Town Treasurer on or before October 31, 2014 with delinquent taxes having interest charges of one percent per month and with an eight percent penalty charged against them from the due date?

Jerry Senturia moved the motion. Diana Senturia seconded. An affirmative voice vote was held. Article 16 passed.

- Article 17 Shall the Town, from this time forward to be consistent with 24 V.S.A. §1682, make the annual Town Report available by (a) first giving voters and residents notice of the Town Report's availability by posting notices in at least three in public places within town at least 30 days before the annual meeting stating when, where and how the Town Report will be available, and (b) at least ten days before the annual meeting having paper copies of the Town Report available for pickup at the Town Clerk's office, and (c) mailing a copy of the Town Report to any voter or resident of Peacham upon that person's telephone, email or written request to the Town Clerk's office?

Diana Senturia moved the article. Kathy Corcoran seconded. Annette Lorraine spoke to the article. She reported that the Secretary of State's office has said that the town need not mail a copy of the Town Report to all voters or residents, but it is crucial that we give notice to the people of the town, by the means listed in Article 17, of the Town Report's availability. There being no further discussion, an affirmative voice vote was held. Article 17 passed.

- Article 18 To transact any other non-binding business that may legally come before the meeting.

The Moderator recognized the following speakers:

1. Bob Fuehrer spoke about the Peacham Café Project currently underway in the village. Bob mentioned that an open house will be held in the next couple of weeks. He thanked Peacham Housing and the over 100 donors. Bob expressed his and the Café group's pride at providing a new gathering place.

2. Rusty Barber, volunteer architect for the Peacham Historical Association, discussed the construction plans for the PHA's proposed new Archival Building addition. Town zoning requirements still need to be met and he asked for a non-binding vote for expanding PHA's original land request from the town from .21 acre to 1 acre to meet the zoning regulation. By voice vote, the assembly unanimously approved of the proposed additional land.
3. Julie Hansen inquired about the archival materials being stored by the PHA and concern that old town records be available. Diana Senturia explained that the archives are made up of old town records, records of past town organizations, vital records information, diaries of civil war veterans, historical quilts, clothing, paintings and banners which are all part of Peacham's heritage. The additional space provided by the proposed Archival Building will create an ideal showcase for these artifacts. Dave Stauffer reported that former Town Clerk and local historian, Lorna Quimby, assured town officials that no legal town documents are in the PHA collection.
4. Bob Hansen, Town Zoning Administrator, explained the zoning and subdivision procedures that must be followed for this project to proceed.
5. Annette Lorraine stressed the importance of the PHA and the town itself being bound by its own zoning by-laws.
6. Suzanne Rhodes proposed to the voters present that a non-binding resolution in favor of the PHA Archival Building be given. By a hand vote the resolution passed.
7. Ron Miller explained the Peacham Farm Support Fund grant. Applications for the grant are available at the Town Clerk's office and on the Peacham website.
8. Selectboard member, Nate Giroux, spoke enthusiastically about the importance of the town meeting process and also urged people to attend Selectboard meetings. He stressed how fortunate we all are to live in such a beautiful and historic town such as Peacham.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the Moderator recognized Rick Scholes who moved to adjourn. Diana Senturia seconded. A voice vote in the affirmative adjourned the meeting,.

Meeting adjourned at 2:10 PM.

The foregoing is approved and attested by:

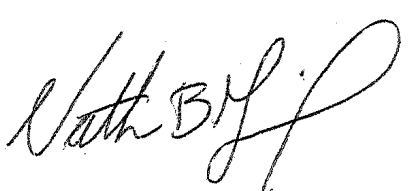
Peacham Selectboard

Annette Lorraine


Andy Cochran

Nathan Giroux

Moderator


Timothy McKay

Town Clerk


Bruce Lafferty

Elected Officers and Appointments

Elected Town Officers 2014

Office		Term ends at Town meeting in the year
Auditors	Julie Kempton Jan Eastman Charles Byron	2016 2015 2017
First Constable Second Constable	John Sheehan Bill Thresher	2015 2015
Delinquent Tax Collector	John Sheehan	2015
Grand Juror	Charles Browne	2015
Library Representative	Caroline Deasy	2015
Listers	James Minichiello Rick Scholes Rusty Barber	2015 2015 2016
Moderator	Tim McKay	2015
School Directors	Mark Clough Jenny Mackenzie Wynne Browne	2016 2015 2015
Selectboard	Nate Giroux Andy Cochran Annette Lorraine	2016 2015 2017
Town Agent	Robert Fuehrer	2015
Town Clerk	Stan Fickes	2015
Town Treasurer & Tax Collector	Stan Fickes	2015

Appointments By Selectboard 2014

Committee		App't Ends
Appropriation Committee	Charles Browne Jean Clark / now Mary Ellen Reis Josette Lyders	2017 2017 2017
Conservation Commission	David Stauffer David Magnus Neil Monteith Ron Miller George Kempton Anna Rubin Alex Maclean	2017 2017 Ex officio 2016 2016 2018 2015
Development Review Board	Nick Comerci Matt Kempton Greg Schoolcraft Morris McCain Raymond Young Marilyn Magnus (alternate)	2015 2015 2015 2016 2016 2015
Emergency Mgt. Coordinator 911 Coordinator	Neil Monteith Bill Dufresne / now Brian Barney	2015 2015
Fence Viewers	Kenneth Bean Ken Danielson George Kempton	2015 2015 2015
Fire Chief	Jeff Berwick	2015
Fire Warden	Neil Monteith	2015
Green-up Chair	Lauren Collins	2015
Health Officer Assistant Health Officer	Joshua Kantrowitz Martha Ide	2015 2016
Keeper of the Pound	Jo Guertin	2015
Memorial Day Chair	Ashton Giroux & Julie Hansen	2015
Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District Rep.	Cindy Miller	2015

Committee		App't Ends
NVDA Representatives	Les Morrison Tom Joyce	2015 2015
Planning Commission	Les Morrison / now Geoff Sewake Joanna Bodenweber Richard Browne / now Nick Comerci Jeff Lamphere / now Greg Schoolcraft Marilyn Magnus	2015 2015 2017 2015 2016
Road Foreman	Mark Chase / now Jeremy Withers	2014
Service Officer	Patty Strader	2015
Sextons	Ron Craig Cheryl Stevenson	2015 2015
Tree Board	David Jacobs (Deputy Tree Warden) Julie Lang Bruce Maclean Neil Monteith (Tree Warden) Dave Stauffer	2015 2015 2015 2015 2015
Tree Warden	Neil Monteith	2015
Zoning Administrator	Robert Hansen	2015

Other Elected Officials

Justices of the Peace (all terms expire in February 2017):

Jean Dedam
Sam Kempton
Morris McCain
Richard Scholes
Diana Senturia

State Representative (term expires in 2017):

Kitty Beattie Toll

State Senators (terms expire in 2017):

Joe Benning
Jane Kitchell

US Representative (term expires in 2017):

Peter Welch

US Senator:

Bernie Sanders (2019)
Patrick Leahy (2017)

Vital Statistics 2014

Births

Charlotte MacLean Scott	June 15	Alexandra MacLean & Timothy Scott
Amelia June Garand-Friend	September 3	Jacqueline Garand & Randy Friend
Elsie Permelia Emmons	September 25	Molly Willard & Nathaniel Emmons

Note – We only hear of Vermont births. Please tell us if your baby is born in another state!

Marriages

Nicholas Sylvia, Elizabeth Ruffner	July 12
Noah Fink, Leigh Holliday	October 4
Timothy Scott, Alexandra MacLean	October 13

Deaths

Alice Elizabeth Rowe	April 20	St. Albans
Ellen Richardson Andrews	July 30	Peacham
Jean Mae Berwick	August 20	Peacham
John Freeman Thresher	November 29	Peacham

Note – We only hear of deaths in Peacham or of Peacham residents. We are sorry for any we might have missed!

Dog Licenses 2014

136 dog licenses were issued.

Income: \$1,194.00

Expenses: \$544.00 – Fees to state
\$98.70 – Dog tag cost

2015 Rates for Dog Licenses (due before April 1st)

Neutered or spayed dog	\$4.00
State programs	<u>4.00</u>
Total	\$8.00

Unneutered or unspayed	\$8.00
State programs	<u>4.00</u>
Total	\$12.00

The Peacham Dog Ordinance is available at the Town Office.

Town of Peacham Auditors' Report

We have examined the finances presented to us by the Town Treasurer. We have verified stated cash balances, inspected certificates of deposit, loan documents and investment account statements. Checks have been written according to statements and warrants.

We believe the reports presented here represent the financial position of the Town as of December 31, 2014 and give an accurate account of the Town's financial position and activities.

The Town commissioned a professional audit of its books for 2011 in late 2012. This was completed by Sullivan, Powers & Co. CPAs on December 26, 2013. The audit made various recommendations including improvements in the Town's policies and financial reporting. In 2014, the Auditors implemented a practice of signing off on each monthly (or quarterly) reconciliation of the 9 Town bank accounts. Second, at the Selectboard's request, the Auditors developed draft policy proposals covering 9 areas, and submitted these to the Selectboard for action if they chose.

We extend our thanks to Town Treasurer Stan Fickes and to Assistant Treasurer Tom Galinat for their work in 2014, for their assistance in our analyses and Town/School Report preparation, and for their participation and advice in the development of draft policies.

Charles Byron, Jan Eastman, and Julie Kempton

Town of Peacham Auditors

Town Clerk/Treasurer's Annual Report

In 2014 we received over 750 pages of new deed and mortgage records. We had some of our recent land record books copied to microfilm for storage at the State Archive, and will finish that project in 2015. The earlier books were already on microfilm, and those films have been checked for aging problems.

We changed the hours the Town Office is open to allow deed researchers a longer stretch of uninterrupted time on Tuesdays. We decided to close Fridays and reduce our other hours to avoid exceeding our payroll budget.

I hired Tom Galinat as my assistant, and have trained him in all the day-to-day operations in the Town Office. He has dealt with all the normal operations, and has also participated in a Federal Election cycle.

At my request, the Selectboard Clerk duties were hired out by the board instead of falling to me. Melissa Laurita Kohl is the Clerk to the Selectboard, and has been working for several other Town boards and committees to ensure everyone follows the Open Meeting Law procedures. She has also been responsible for the Town's Internet presence this year.

Delinquent taxes continue to be a problem for Peacham. At the end of 2014, we have assets (cash) of \$213,425, and liabilities (money earmarked for specific expenses) of \$423,061, leaving us in debt over \$210,000. \$127,495 of that debt is due to highway projects, all of which will be paid to us in a pair of Vermont grants totaling about \$137,000. While that leaves our debt slightly smaller than it was at the end of 2013, it is entirely due to delinquent taxes. The Selectboard established a policy last year that may lead to tax sales in 2015; a reduction in debt should follow.

Peacham residents – don't forget to file your HS-122 and HI-144 forms with the State before the April 15th deadline. Filing late may cause a penalty to be charged to you, and causes headaches for you and for us at property tax billing time!

Thanks for your trust,
Stan Fickes
Peacham Town Clerk/Treasurer

Town Financial Reports

Town Accounts, Debt Outstanding, and Real Estate

SUMMARY OF TOWN ACCOUNTS				
Account	12/31/11	12/31/12	12/31/13	12/31/14
Checking	\$ 356,614	\$315,429	\$300,979	\$245,419
Retreatment	\$ 130,745	\$ 66,216	\$116,323	\$146,499
Road capital equipment	\$ 61,386	\$111,562	\$ 1,000	\$ 21,001
Total	\$ 548,744	\$493,207	\$418,301	\$412,919

STATEMENT OF DEBT 12/31/2014	
2011 Caterpillar Grader	\$ 77,156
Total	\$ 77,156

INVENTORY OF REAL ESTATE 12/31/2014		
Description	Value	Parcel ID
Fire House, Roller Barn, Village Green	\$ 217,500	04201-000
Town Forest	\$ 140,900	03110-000
Garage and Salt Shed	\$ 145,900	00204-001
Town Hall	\$ 360,700	00145-003
Transfer Station	\$ 48,700	00204-000
Cemetery	\$ 152,200	00603-005
Luther Fletcher Parker Field	\$ 46,900	00146-001
3.3 acres behind Peacham Historical House (from VLT)	\$ 74,200	00603-003
Old Cemetery	\$ 31,300	04305-005
Worcester Cemetery	\$ 24,400	05201-005
Devil's Hill	\$ 49,500	06508-002
Town Line Cemetery (Peacham/Groton)	\$ 11,700	05904-005
Total	\$1,303,900	

Balance Sheet

Assets	12/31/11	12/31/12	12/31/13	12/31/14
Main Checking Accounts	\$ 356,614	\$ 315,429	\$ 301,279	\$ 213,425
Cemetery	\$ 32,617	\$ 76,919	\$ 26,127	\$ 27,510
Cemetery Endowment	\$ 87,847	\$ 89,843	\$ 95,750	\$ 95,950
Road Retreatment	\$ 130,745	\$ 66,216	\$ 116,323	\$ 146,482
Road Capital Equipment	\$ 61,386	\$ 111,562	\$ 1,000	\$ 21,000
Total Assets	\$ 669,209	\$ 659,969	\$ 540,479	\$ 504,367
Liabilities*				
Education tax payable		\$ 179,244	\$ 163,469	\$ 182,606
Prop Tax Credits Payable		\$ 184	\$ 660	\$ 13
Better Backroads Grant	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000		
Rescue vehicle refurbishment	\$ 4,065	\$ 4,065		
Restricted Funds				
Cemetery	\$ 32,617	\$ 76,919	\$ 26,127	\$ 27,510
Cemetery Endowment	\$ 87,847	\$ 89,843	\$ 95,750	\$ 95,950
Road Retreatment Fund	\$ 130,745	\$ 66,216	\$ 116,323	\$ 146,482
Road Capital Equipment	\$ 61,386	\$ 111,562	\$ 1,000	\$ 21,000
Ball field grant	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,318	\$ 4,318	\$ 4,318
Bridge Fund	\$ 19,828	\$ 21,828	\$ 23,828	\$ 23,828
Capital Building fund	\$ 120,000	\$ 22,000	\$ 22,000	\$ 16,615
Conservation Reserve	\$ 8,627	\$ 9,127	\$ 9,627	\$ 10,392
Fire Warden Capital Equip.	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Jean Berwick Tent Fund	\$ -00	\$ -00	\$ -00	\$ 1,830
Lister education fund	\$ 1,949	\$ 1,774	\$ 839	\$ 1,309
New Recycling Shed	\$ 8,078	\$ 1,019	\$ 1,019	\$ 1,019
Peacham Farm Support Fund	\$ -00	\$ -00	\$ 4,000	\$ 1,500
Restoration Land Records	\$ 8,176	\$ 8,217	\$ 7,748	\$ 8,235
Roller Barn Card Fund	\$ -00	\$ -00	\$ -00	\$ 330
Veteran's memorial fund	\$ 1,298	\$ 1,298	\$ 1,298	\$ 1,298
Vt Money For Reappraisal	\$ 12,331	\$ 18,877	\$ 18,877	\$ 25,431
Working Capital Fund	\$ 73,841	\$ 150,001	\$ 150,001	\$ 142,536
Total Liabilities	\$ 586,788	\$ 777,490	\$ 647,882	\$ 713,201
Assets - Liabilities	\$ 82,421	\$ (117,521)	\$ (107,404)	\$ (208,834)

Grand List Computations

Appraised Valuations \$ 138,478,738.00 Exemptions already accounted for

Grand List Set Aug 6, 2014

Total $\$ 138,478,738.00 \times .01 = \$ 1,384,787.38$

2014 Education Property Tax Rate (Set by Vermont Dept. of Taxes)

Homestead rate	1.7125
Non-Residential rate	1.5546

Town Taxes to be raised (Set at Town Meeting)

Highway	\$ -
General	\$ 482,428.00
Appropriations	\$ 30,133.00
Capital Building Fund appropriation	\$ -
Local Agreement (Veteran's exemption)	\$ 600.00
Total	\$ 513,161.00


Town tax rate
 $\$ 513,161.00 / \$ 1,384,787.38 = 0.3706$

TOTAL HOMESTEAD TAX RATE	2.0831
TOTAL NON-RESIDENTIAL TAX RATE	1.9252

Peacham Selectboard


Andy Cochran

Nathan Giroux


Annette Lorraine

Delinquent Taxes

Town of Peacham													
Summary of Delinquent Taxes as of January 1, 2015													
		2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2001
Delinquent Taxes Collected in 2014	\$ 160,142	\$80,862	\$53,413	\$14,297	\$ 3,232	\$ 2,479	\$ 1,836	\$ 4,022	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Interest on Delinquent Taxes Collected in 2014	\$ 14,326	\$ 508	\$ 3,435	\$ 3,630	\$ 2,274	\$ 826	\$ 1,025	\$ 628	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000
Penalties on Delinquent Taxes Collected in 2014	\$ 10,287	\$ 4,167	\$ 3,931	\$ 1,424	\$ 617	\$ -	\$ 147	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total collected (2014)	\$ 184,755												
Number of Parcels with Delinquent Taxes Due, on Jan 1, 2015	115	35	35	17	9	6	3	4	2	1	1	1	1
Amount of Delinquent Tax Due (Jan 1, 2015)	\$ 141,433	\$73,445	\$24,510	\$20,996	\$ 9,474	\$ 3,249	\$ 790	\$ 2,955	\$ 1,453	\$204	\$397	\$375	\$ 3,583
Amount of Interest Due (Jan 1, 2015)	\$ 19,691	\$ 1,456	\$ 3,415	\$ 4,318	\$ 2,146	\$ 1,497	\$ 436	\$ 2,128	\$ 544	\$194	\$425	\$431	\$ 2,702
Amount of Penalties Due (Jan 1, 2015)	\$ 9,504	\$ 5,697	\$ 1,862	\$ 1,216	\$ 301	\$ 70	\$ 26	\$ 236	\$ 18	\$ 16	\$ 32	\$ 30	\$ -
Total Due (Jan 1, 2015)	\$ 170,627												

Budget 2015: Income

Account	Actual 2012	Actual 2013	Budget 2014	YTD 12-31-2014	Budget 2015
<u>INCOME</u>					
GENERAL REVENUE					
11-6-1-01 TAX RELATED					
11-6-1-01-001.00 Taxes - Current - muni	\$ 2,026,956.00	\$ 2,065,320.00	\$ 482,428.00	\$ 321,936.37	\$ 482,428.00
11-6-1-01-001.01 Taxes - Current - edu	0.00		0.00	1,963,814.00	0.00
11-6-1-01-002.00 Del. Taxes: Principal	102,640.36	78,699.41	0.00	145,792.55	21,820.00
11-6-1-01-002.01 Del. Taxes: Interest	4,628.53	8,277.72	0.00	14,018.08	0.00
11-6-1-01-002.02 Del. taxes: Penalty	8,168.13		0.00	10,287.00	0.00
11-6-1-01-003.00 Municipal tax adjustment	18,057.91	10,303.45	0.00	10,587.43	0.00
Non-profit allocations approved by voters	21,379.00	23,629.00	30,133.00	30,133.00	30,083.00
11-6-1-01-010.00 Tax anticipation note rev	200,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	200,000.00	200,000.00
TOTAL TAX REVENUE	\$2,381,829.93	\$2,336,229.58	\$662,561.00	\$2,696,568.43	\$734,331.00
11-7-1-15-990.00 LESS: School Allocation	1,587,693.54	1,699,395.00		1,781,208.00	
LESS: education tax paid to State of Vermont					
LESS: education tax still due to State	179,244.00	163,468.62		182,606.20	
TOTAL EDUCATION TAX & EXPENSES	\$ 1,766,937.54	\$ 1,862,863.62	\$ -	\$ 1,963,814.20	\$ -
TOTAL TAX REVENUE AVAIL TO TOWN	\$614,892.39	\$473,365.96	\$662,561.00	\$732,754.23	\$734,331.00
11-6-1-02 CLERKS OFFICE					
11-6-1-02-001.00 Town Clerk's Fees	7,741.25	11,518.75	9,000.00	8,356.00	9,000.00
11-6-1-02-002.00 Dog Licenses	693.00	604.00	600.00	650.00	600.00
11-6-1-02-003.00 Liquor License Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
TOTAL CLERK'S OFFICE REVENUE	\$8,434.25	\$12,122.75	\$9,600.00	\$9,006.00	\$9,600.00
11-6-1-03 ST OF VERMONT					
11-6-1-03-001.01 Current Use Payback	97,897.00	87,993.00	98,000.00	85,463.00	85,000.00
11-6-1-03-002.00 Pilot State Land	16,029.55	17,343.15	17,000.00	15,866.36	16,000.00
11-6-1-03-002.01 PILOT buildings	1,915.00	0.00	1,900.00	1,699.00	1,900.00
11-6-1-03-003.00 Lease Land	18.50	18.50	19.00	18.50	18.50
TOTAL REVENUE FROM STATE OF VERMONT	\$115,860.05	\$105,354.65	\$116,919.00	\$103,046.86	\$102,918.50
11-6-1-04 OTHER					
11-6-1-04-001.00 Zoning Fees	507.00	570.00	500.00	390.00	500.00
11-6-1-04-001.01 Board Of Adjustment Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-1-04-001.10 Zoning fines	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00

Account	Actual 2012	Actual 2013	Budget 2014	YTD 12-31-2014	Budget 2015
11-6-1-04-002.00 Rentals	12,241.71	11,490.04	9,000.00	11,840.04	12,000.00
11-6-1-04-003.00 Misc Revenue	9,978.40	9,482.44	9,000.00	8.30	0.00
11-6-1-04-006.00 Public Donations	465.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-1-04-007.00 Logging	0.00	309.12	0.00		0.00
11-6-1-04-100.00 Interest On Investments	505.46	0.00	300.00	306.40	300.00
TOTAL OTHER REVENUE	\$23,697.57	\$21,851.60	\$18,800.00	\$12,544.74	\$12,800.00
GRANT & FUND MONIES TRANSFD TO OPERATING ACCT					
11-6-1-15-200.00 Ball field grant revenue	682.50	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-1-15-235.00 Tree grants and donations	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-1-15-236.00 Trail grant and donations	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-1-15-237.00 Donation to cons rsv	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-1-15-251.00 Per Parcel tax assistance	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-1-16-001.00 Muni Planning Grant used	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-1-16-250.00 Grand List Maintenance \$ used	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
TOTAL GRANT & FUND MONIES TRNSFD TO OP.	\$682.50	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE	\$763,566.76	\$612,694.96	\$807,880.00	\$857,351.83	\$859,649.50

ROAD UPKEEP REVENUE

11-6-2-01 PERMITS					
11-6-2-01-001.00 Access Permits	68.00	34.00	50.00	34.00	50.00
11-6-2-01-002.00 Excess Weight Permits	235.00	245.00	250.00	210.00	250.00
11-6-2-01-003.00 Fines	1,088.50	823.00	0.00	593.00	0.00
TOTAL REVENUE FROM PERMITS	\$1,391.50	\$1,102.00	\$300.00	\$837.00	\$300.00
11-6-2-03 ST OF VERMONT					
11-6-2-03-004.00 State: Highway Aid	96,184.63	119,255.64	119,195.00	120,586.15	120,000.00
11-6-2-03-108.00 Better Backroads (Penny St)	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00
11-6-2-03-103.00 VEDA loan revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-2-03-104.34 FEMA PW 219	4,180.17		0.00		0.00
11-6-2-03-104.37 Vermont reim.	118,581.04	22,317.26	0.00		0.00
11-6-2-03-105.01 FEMA PW 189	1,089.09		0.00		0.00
11-6-2-03-105.02 FEMA PW 190	253.04		0.00		0.00
11-6-2-03-105.03 FEMA PW 191	161.78		0.00		0.00
11-6-2-03-105.04 FEMA PW 192	136.07		0.00		0.00
11-6-2-03-105.05 FEMA PW 193	141.34		0.00		0.00
11-6-2-03-105.06 FEMA PW 194	123.93		0.00		0.00
11-6-2-03-105.07 FEMA PW 195	233.27		0.00		0.00
11-6-2-03-105.08 FEMA PW 196	105.72		0.00		0.00
11-6-2-03-105.09 FEMA PW 197	75.00		0.00		0.00

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11-6-2-03-105.10 FEMA PW 260	132.31		0.00		0.00
11-6-2-03-106.00 Great Rd Culvert Grant	18,000.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-2-03-107.00 Peach-Grot Rd Pav Grant	110,000.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
State Reimbrsmnt for County Rd culvert 2014 wk					135,000.00
State Reimbrsmnt for Alken Farm Rd 2014 work					4,270.00
Repaymentof internal debt for 2014 culvert work					(139,270.00)
TOTAL ROAD REVENUE FROM STATE OF VERMONT	\$349,397.39	\$141,572.90	\$119,195.00	\$130,586.15	\$120,000.00
11-6-2-04 OTHER					
11-6-2-04-001.00 Equipment sale	514.50	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-2-04-100.00 Interest On Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-2-04-110.00 Employee insurance copay	281.06	189.42	0.00		0.00
TOTAL OTHER ROAD REVENUE	\$795.56	\$189.42	\$0.00		\$0.00
ROAD FUND MONIES USED					
11-6-2-16-001.00 Retreatment money used	85,000.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-2-16-002.00 Capital Equip money used	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-2-40-002.00 Better Backroads grant used		10,000.00	0.00		0.00
TOTAL ROAD FUND MONIES USED	\$85,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
TOTAL ROAD UPKEEP REVENUE	\$436,584.45	\$152,864.32	\$119,495.00	\$131,423.15	\$120,300.00
OTHER REVENUE					
11-6-3 TRANSFER STATION					
11-6-3-01-001.00 Transfer Station Fees	32,005.70	30,683.15	35,000.00	35,860.96	35,000.00
11-6-3-01-003.00 Misc	59.67	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-3-01-004.00 Electronics recycling cre	72.70	129.10	100.00	245.00	100.00
11-6-3-30-001.00 Recycling Shed Revenue	7,059.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
TOTAL TRANSFER STATION REVENUE	\$39,197.07	\$30,812.25	\$35,100.00	\$36,105.96	\$35,100.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE					
11-6-4-04-001.00 Sale of equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-4-04-002.00 Insurance claim	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-6-4-15-001.00 VT forest fire eqp grant					0.00
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL OTHER REVENUE	\$39,197.07	\$30,812.25	\$35,100.00	\$36,105.96	\$35,100.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,239,348.28	\$796,371.53	\$962,475.00	\$1,024,880.94	\$1,015,049.50

Budget 2015: Expenses

Account	Actual 2012	Actual 2013	Budget 2014	YTD 12-31-2014	Budget 2015
EXPENSES					
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
11-7-1-10 PAYROLL					
11-7-1-10-100.01 Selectmen's Salaries	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	1,500.00
11-7-1-10-100.03 Board Clerk Salary	4,884.88	5,031.00	5,031.00	3,319.90	4,500.00
11-7-1-10-100.04 Listers'salaries	8,904.75	10,848.00	15,600.00	11,606.75	16,800.00
11-7-1-10-100.05 Animal Control Person	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-7-1-10-100.06 Health Officer	0.00	0.00	50.00		50.00
11-7-1-10-100.07 Zoning Administrator	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
11-7-1-10-100.08 Town Clerk/Treasurer	31,856.24	32,812.00	32,812.00	33,871.82	30,000.00
11-7-1-10-100.09 Asst Town Clerk/Treasurer	23,147.91	24,696.12	23,841.00	20,836.54	24,000.00
11-7-1-10-100.10 Town Clerk	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-7-1-10-100.11 Asst Town Clerk	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-7-1-10-100.13 Auditors' Salaries	1,000.00	2,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
11-7-1-10-100.14 Constable	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
11-7-1-10-100.15 Del tax collector	8,168.13	4,641.63	0.00	10,287.00	0.00
11-7-1-10-100.16 Grant Administrator	468.00	0.00	200.00		200.00
11-7-1-10-110.00 FICA/MEDI	6,895.75	7,152.82	7,570.00	7,170.75	6,300.00
11-7-1-10-111.00 Unemployment	4,298.00	4,875.00	4,430.00	3,544.00	4,000.00
11-7-1-10-112.00 Workers Comp	9,361.00	9,197.00	9,975.00	9,069.00	9,750.00
11-7-1-10-113.00 Health Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-7-1-10-114.00 Retire-match Funds	1,368.00	656.00	1,300.00	637.00	1,200.00
TOTAL PAYROLL EXPENSES	\$105,102.66	\$106,659.57	\$107,059.00	\$106,592.76	\$103,050.00
11-7-1-15 GENERAL EXPENSES					
11-7-1-15-150.00 VLCT Dues	1,434.00	1,506.00	1,506.00	1,657.00	1,758.00
11-7-1-15-200.00 Town Insurance	10,918.00	15,904.00	16,000.00	15,331.00	18,000.00
11-7-1-15-205.00 Prop tax abatements	533.50	45.28	500.00	17.09	
11-7-1-15-250.00 Legal Expense	0.00	2,169.36	2,000.00	3,698.81	6,000.00
11-7-1-15-255.00 Professional Audit	0.00	12,000.00	0.00		
11-7-1-15-260.00 County Tax	10,922.15	21,186.49	17,807.00	17,807.00	16,601.00
11-7-1-15-270.00 Tax Mapping	565.00	0	2,000.00	2,055.00	2,000.00
11-7-1-15-280.00 Reappraisal consulting	0.00	0.00	0.00		
11-7-1-15-281.00 Listers incidental expenses	0.00	0.00	1,400.00	315.00	
11-6-1-15-250.00 VT\$ Grandlist Maintenance	-6,545.50	-6,546.00	-6,555.00		(6,555.00)
11-7-1-15-282.00 VT\$ Grandlist Mtnc to Reserve Fund	6,545.50	0.00	6,555.00		6,555.00
11-7-1-15-600.00 Contingency & opportuniti	0.00	0.00	0.00		
11-7-1-15-700.00 Planning	86.25	26.08	500.00		500.00
11-7-1-15-700.01 Conservation	333.79	59.00	500.00	70.00	200.00
11-7-1-15-700.02 Recreation	2,834.50	755.00	2,000.00	1,615.00	2,300.00
11-7-1-15-700.03 Green-Up Vermont	150.00	152.50	250.00	218.51	250.00
11-7-1-15-700.04 NVDA	279.00	279.00	279.00	279.00	279.00
11-7-1-15-700.05 N. VT Resource & Dev. Cnc	0.00	0.00	75.00		

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11-7-1-15-700.06 Contribution to Cons. Fun	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-7-1-15-700.07 Tree board	110.00	420.00	1,500.00	1,272.50	1,272.50
11-7-1-15-750.00 Elections/town Meeting	1,708.58	486.69	700.00	2,302.57	700.00
11-7-1-15-760.00 Contribution to Cap Bldg	0.00	0	14,000.00	14,000.00	14,000.00
11-7-1-15-790.00 Cemetery Transfer to Reserve Fund	8,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
11-7-1-15-800.00 Misc Expenditure	527.37	331.08	0.00	401.66	
11-7-1-15-810.00 Contribution to Vet Mem	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Contribution to Working Capital fund			1,791.87		
11-7-1-15-900.00 Tax Anticipation Note: Interest	1,000.89	231.12	500.00	331.98	500.00
11-7-1-15-900.01 Tax Anticipation note principal	200,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	200,000.00	200,000.00
TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES	\$239,903.03	\$200,505.60	\$214,808.87	\$262,872.12	\$264,860.50
11-7-1-20 TOWN OFFICE					
11-7-1-20-300.00 Telephone	2,026.51	2,112.75	2,100.00	2,183	2,100.00
11-7-1-20-310.00 Electricity	5,067.25	5,035.27	5,253.00	5,130	5,000.00
11-7-1-20-311.00 Mileage	1,263.16	1,467.57	1,500.00	1,068	1,000.00
11-7-1-20-312.00 Supplies	2,550.29	4,572.05	2,500.00	3,474	3,000.00
11-7-1-20-312.01 Dog Expense	91.23	91.95	100.00	99	100.00
11-7-1-20-312.05 Land records books	383.76	224.50	400.00	144	150.00
11-6-1-16-210.00 Restoratn of l.r. transfrd from fund	-1,543.50	-2,929.42	0.00	(1,018)	0.00
11-7-1-20-312.06 Restoration of land records	0.00	2,929.42	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-1-20-312.07 Land record maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,018	0.00
11-7-1-20-312.10 Special projects	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-1-20-313.00 Postage	1,326.18	2,523.15	2,000.00	2,190	2,200.00
11-7-1-20-314.00 Internet	1,375.56	1,375.56	1,400.00	1,376	1,400.00
11-7-1-20-314.01 Computer Expense	1,267.91	346.39	1,300.00	136	2,000.00
11-7-1-20-314.02 Lister computer supplies	394.01	779.61	1,300.00	1,935	1,000.00
11-7-1-20-314.03 Lister camera	0.00	0.00	300.00	191	0.00
11-7-1-20-315.00 Training for Clerk/Treasurer & Ass't	165.00	796.01	800.00	690	0.00
11-6-1-40-004.00 Transfer from Lister Education Fund	0.00	-935.00	-838.87	(310)	
11-7-1-20-315.04 Training for Listers	0.00	935	1,500.00	310	1,000.00
11-7-1-20-316.00 Service/licenses/NMRC/CAMA	2,768.40	2,606.79	2,600.00	2,968	3,000.00
11-7-1-20-317.00 Equipment	0.00	1,660.00	0.00	163	0.00
11-7-1-20-320.00 Advertising	1,421.91	1,270.84	1,500.00	2,115	1,500.00
11-6-1-16-002.00 Transfer from Capital Building Fund	-98,000.00	0.00	-2,000.00	(19,385)	-3,000.00
Restroom ADA access work			2,000.00		3,000.00
11-7-1-20-360.00 Town Hall Maintenance	117,223.98	3,577.15	3,000.00	1,066	1,000.00
11-7-1-20-360.02 TH Maintenance-Mowing	850.00	900.00	900.00	900	900.00
Transfer from Roller Barn Fund			-30,000.00		(6,000.00)
Repair of Roller Barn			30,000.00		6,000.00
11-7-1-20-400.00 Heating Fuel	6,884.79	7,234.22	7,000.00	10,369	9,000.00
11-7-1-20-500.00 Water	570.00	570.00	570.00	570	570.00
11-7-1-20-600.00 Contracted Maintenance Services	11,537.69	12,133.46	12,000.00	10,650	12,000.00
11-7-1-20-601.00 Town reports	1,928.00	2,298.00	2,300.00	2,139	2,300.00
TOTAL TOWN OFFICE EXPENSES	\$59,552.13	\$51,575.27	\$49,484.13	\$30,168.93	\$49,220.00

Account	Actual 2012	Actual 2013	Budget 2014	YTD 12-31-2014	Budget 2015
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES					
11-6-1-15-238.00 Peacham Farm Support Revenue	-8,355.00	-9,500.00	0.00		0.00
11-7-1-30-003.00 Peacham Farm Support Expense	8,355.00	5,500.00	0.00		0.00
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES	\$0.00	-\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT EXPENSES	\$404,557.82	\$354,740.44	\$371,352.00	\$399,633.81	\$417,130.50
ROAD UPKEEP EXPENSES					
11-7-2-10 PAYROLL					
11-7-2-10-100.00 Road Dept. Salaries	129,580.76	123,461.98	138,000.00	118,528.10	138,000.00
11-7-2-10-110.00 Road Dept. FICA/MEDI	9,891.61	9,430.65	10,488.00	9,067.45	10,488.00
11-7-2-10-113.00 Roads Dept. Health Ins.	14,186.75	12,306.44	12,500.00	29,619.29	35,050.00
11-7-2-10-114.00 HSA contribution (N/A now)	1,000.00	750.00	0.00		0.00
TOTAL ROAD CREW PAYROLL	\$154,659.12	\$145,949.07	\$160,988.00	\$157,214.84	\$183,538.00
11-7-2-15 ROAD EXPENSES					
11-7-2-15-150.00 VMHA Dues	10.00	0.00	10.00		10.00
11-7-2-15-312.01 Gas, Oil, Diesel	39,986.29	59,569.38	34,000.00	45,775.69	37,000.00
11-7-2-15-312.02 Tires	7,227.18	3,662.85	5,000.00	2,063.37	4,000.00
11-7-2-15-312.03 Radios	1,118.85	584.50	500.00	477.60	500.00
11-7-2-15-320.00 Town truck leases [grader]	39,967.56	39,967.56	39,968.00	39,967.56	39,968.00
11-7-2-15-740.00 Contr. Equip. Reserv	50,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
11-7-2-15-740.01 Contr. Retreatmnt Reserve	20,000.00	50,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	20,000.00
11-7-2-15-740.02 Contr. To Bridge Reserve	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00		0.00
TOTAL ROAD EQUIPMENT COSTS	\$160,309.88	\$175,784.29	\$129,478.00	\$138,284.22	\$121,478.00
11-7-2-20 TOWN GARAGE					
11-7-2-20-311.00 Mileage	49.95	0.00	0.00	17.92	0.00
11-7-2-20-312.00 Equip:repairs/supplies	40,505.41	36,012.42	32,000.00	18,013.81	30,000.00
11-7-2-20-312.01 Other Benefits	5,372.59	6,195.19	5,200.00	6,669.73	4,800.00
11-7-2-20-312.02 Office supplies	706.32	492.93	500.00	608.73	500.00
11-7-2-20-315.00 Training	330.00	807.00	1,000.00	198.00	1,000.00
11-7-2-20-320.00 Tools	3,303.68	2,114.43	2,000.00	1,075.41	1,500.00
Transfer from Road Capital Equipment Fund		-128,247.76			
11-7-2-20-330.00 Equipment purchase	0.00	139,030.11	4,000.00		2,000.00
11-7-2-20-360.00 Bldg: Repairs & Maint.	1,768.97	5,352.99	3,500.00	5,211.49	2,500.00
TOTAL TOWN GARAGE EXPENSES	\$52,036.92	\$61,757.31	\$48,200.00	\$31,795.09	\$42,300.00

Account	Actual 2012	Actual 2013	Budget 2014	YTD 12-31-2014	Budget 2015
11-7-2-25 ROAD MAINTENANCE					
11-7-2-25-600.00 Contracted Services - plowing	17,186.05	14,982.43	21,800.00	16,383.70	20,000.00
11-7-2-25-600.01 Contracted- Rdside mowing	4,920.00	5,070.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	7,000.00
11-7-2-25-610.00 Retreatment	215,120.85	0.00	0.00	872.70	0.00
11-7-2-25-610.02 Equipment Rental	1,200.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
Transfer from Bridge Fund			-20,000.00		
Transfer from Retreatment Fund			-100,000.00		
11-7-2-25-610.03 Culverts	21,309.40	3,203.20	124,000.00	4,028.36	4,000.00
11-7-2-25-610.04 Dust Control	25,033.78	21,484.25	26,000.00	17,097.15	18,000.00
11-7-2-25-610.05 Gravel, Crushed Stone	30,317.95	34,846.27	34,000.00	38,403.83	34,000.00
11-7-2-25-610.06 Salt	30,335.83	31,815.11	32,000.00	32,999.40	36,000.00
11-7-2-25-610.07 Winter Sand	12,536.25	10,586.50	14,000.00	14,571.00	16,000.00
11-7-2-25-610.08 Supplies	370.00	609.74	1,000.00	160.45	1,000.00
11-7-2-25-620.01 Signs	2,559.57	4,921.79	5,000.00	3,576.48	5,000.00
11-7-2-25-620.02 Guard Rails	0.00	0.00	3,000.00		2,000.00
TOTAL ROAD MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES & CONTRACTS	\$360,889.68	\$127,519.29	\$146,800.00	\$134,093.07	\$143,000.00
LOAN PAYMENTS & MISCELLANEOUS					
11-7-2-30-003.00 2010 eqp loan prn pmt	98,945.44	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-7-2-30-003.01 2010 eqp loan int pmt	2,166.70	0.00	0.00		0.00
11-7-2-30-004.00 05-26-2011 storm repair	6,860.00		0.00		0.00
11-7-2-30-007.00 County Rd Box Culvert 2014 work	0.00		0.00	133,704.22	0.00
TOTAL ROAD EQPT. LOAN PMTS. & MISCELLANEOUS	\$107,972.14	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$133,704.22	\$0.00
TOTAL ROAD UPKEEP EXPENSES	\$835,867.74	\$511,009.96	\$485,466.00	\$595,091.44	\$490,316.00
TRANSFER STATION EXPENSES					
11-7-3-10 PAYROLL					
11-7-3-10-100.00 Transfer Station Salaries	6,314.88	7,744.36	6,500.00	7,379.01	6,500.00
FICA (transfer station)		0.00	494.00		490.00
TOTAL TRANSFER STATION SALARIES	\$6,314.88	\$7,744.36	\$6,994.00	\$7,379.01	\$6,990.00
11-7-3-15 TRANS STA EXPENSES					
11-7-3-15-312.01 Gas for compactor	89.70	14.80	80.00		80.00
11-7-3-15-360.00 Repairs & Maint.	80.22	175.79	1,200.00	1,093.59	1,200.00
11-7-3-15-600.00 Contracted Services	1,322.00	1,526.00	1,350.00	1,224.00	1,350.00
11-7-3-15-600.01 Recycling: Cont. Services	254.40	251.20	300.00	82.50	300.00
11-7-3-15-600.02 Trash Removal	25,341.42	28,115.99	25,500.00	27,043.56	27,500.00
TOTAL TRANSFER STATION OPERATING EXPENSES	\$27,087.74	\$30,083.78	\$28,430.00	\$29,443.65	\$30,430.00

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11-7-3-20 TRANS STA OFFICE					
11-7-3-20-312.00 Supplies	3.17	611.04	50.00	122.92	50.00
11-7-3-20-400.00 Heating fuel	271.77	341.00	300.00	308.94	300.00
TOTAL TRANSFER STATION OFFICE EXPENSES	\$274.94	\$952.04	\$350.00	\$431.86	\$350.00
11-7-3-30-001.00 Recycling Shed Expense	7,059.00	\$0.00	0.00	76.57	0.00
TOTAL RECYCLING SHED EXPENSE	\$7,059.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$76.57	\$0.00
TOTAL TRANSFER STATION EXPENSES	\$40,736.56	\$38,780.18	\$35,774.00	\$37,331.09	\$37,770.00
FIRE DEPT. & LAW ENFORCEMENT					
11-7-4 FIRE & SAFETY					
11-7-4-10 PAYROLL					
11-7-4-10-100.01 Fire Dept. Salaries	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-7-4-10-100.02 Fire Warden: Salaries	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
TOTAL FIRE DEPT. SALARIES	\$650.00	\$650.00	\$650.00	\$650.00	\$650.00
11-7-4-15 F&S EXPENSES					
11-7-4-15-150.00 Dues & Fees	415.95	536.00	600.00	546.95	600.00
11-7-4-15-160.00 Fire dept insurance	11,796.00	11,791.00	12,600.00	13,001.00	12,600.00
11-7-4-15-311.00 Fire Dept. Mileage	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
11-7-4-15-312.01 Supplies	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-7-4-15-312.02 Gas	282.82	0.00	0.00	418.80	0.00
11-7-4-15-317.00 Medical Supplies/equip	125.41	2,105.05	500.00	295.40	500.00
11-7-4-15-317.01 Hepatitis B Shots	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
11-7-4-15-318.00 Fire Equipment	8,187.44	6,261.34	6,000.00	6,708.55	6,000.00
11-7-4-15-319.00 Hydrant	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
11-7-4-15-350.00 Fire Warden Repairs & Mai	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-4-15-600.00 Law Enforcement	4,927.50	5,295.00	4,000.00	3,547.00	2,500.00
11-7-4-15-740.00 Contr. To Fire Cap. Equip	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-7-4-15-740.01 Contr. To Fire Warden Cap	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL FIRE DEPT. & SHERIFF OPERATING EXPENSES	\$25,735.12	\$25,988.39	\$25,600.00	\$24,517.70	\$24,100.00
11-7-4-20 F&S OFFICE					
11-7-4-20-315.00 Fire Dept. Training	0.00	899.95	1,000.00	628.62	1,000.00
11-7-4-20-316.00 24-hour Contract	3,342.00	3,423.00	3,500.00	3,026.00	4,000.00
11-7-4-20-350.00 Repairs & Maint. Equip.	8,486.80	1,960.41	5,000.00	7,053.50	6,000.00
11-7-4-20-360.00 Repairs & Maint. Bldg	1,202.91	2,012.09	4,000.00	6,204.34	4,000.00
TOTAL FIRE DEPT. OFFICE EXPENSES	\$13,031.71	\$8,295.45	\$13,500.00	\$16,912.46	\$15,000.00
TOTAL FIRE DEPT. & LAW ENFORCEMENT	\$39,416.83	\$34,933.84	\$39,750.00	\$42,080.16	\$39,750.00

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TOTAL TOWN EXPENSES	\$1,320,578.95	\$939,464.42	\$932,342.00	\$1,074,136.50	\$984,966.50
INCOME LESS EXPENSES	\$ (81,230.67)	\$ (143,092.89)	\$ 30,133.00	\$ (49,255.56)	\$ 30,083.00
<u>VOTER'S APPROPRIATIONS TO COMMUNITY AGENCIES</u>					
REVENUE					
Town tax revenue for appropriations	\$ 21,379.00	\$ 23,629.00	\$ 30,133.00	\$ 30,133.00	\$ 30,083.00
APPROPRIATIONS					
11-8-1-50-900.01 Adult Basic Ed/nek Learni	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
11-8-1-50-900.02 Area Agency On Aging	660.00	660.00	660.00	660.00	660.00
11-8-1-50-900.03 Cabot Ambulance	500.00	500.00			
11-8-1-50-900.04 Cal. Home Health & Hospic	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
11-8-1-50-900.05 Danville Rescue	5,000.00	5,000.00	11,704.00	11,704.00	11,704.00
11-8-1-50-900.06 Fairbanks Museum	650.00	650.00	650.00	650.00	650.00
11-8-1-50-900.10 Nek Human Services	769.00	769.00	769.00	769.00	769.00
11-8-1-50-900.11 Nek Youth Services	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-8-1-50-900.13 Peacham Fire District 1	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
11-8-1-50-900.14 Peacham Library	6,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	9,000.00
11-8-1-50-900.15 Rural Community Transport	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	
11-8-1-50-900.16 Umbrella	500.00	750.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-8-1-50-900.17 Catamount Arts	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-8-1-50-900.18 Danville Senior Action Ce	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00	
11-8-1-50-900.19 Vt. Assn. For The Blind	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
11-8-1-50-900.21 W Danville Community Club	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	
11-8-1-50-900.22 Peacham Community Housing	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
11-8-1-50-900.23 Green up Vermont			50.00	50.00	50.00
11-8-1-50-900.24 Kingdom Animal Shelter			500.00	500.00	500.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$21,379.00	\$23,629.00	\$30,133.00	\$30,133.00	\$30,083.00
TOWN EXPENSES + APPROPRIATIONS	\$1,341,957.95	\$963,093.42	\$962,475.00	\$1,104,269.50	\$1,015,049.50
NET AFTER APPROPRIATIONS	\$ (102,609.67)	\$ (166,721.89)	\$0.00	\$ (79,388.56)	\$0.00

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CEMETERY					
CEMETERY OPERATING REVENUE					
21-6-0-01-001.00 Cemetery Plots	3,600.00	3,200.00	2,000.00	3,000.00	2,000.00
21-6-0-01-002.00 Corner Markers	300.00	300.00	225.00	75.00	225.00
21-6-0-01-003.00 Davis Lease	0.00	0.00	100.00		100.00
21-6-0-01-004.00 Town Appropriation	8,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	4,000.00
21-6-0-01-005.00 Endowment used	7,100.00	0	4,000.00	5,243.44	
21-6-0-01-006.00 Grant revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00		
21-6-0-01-007.00 Misc revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00		
21-6-0-04-100.00 Interest On Investments	132.95	70.59	50.00	50.25	50.00
21-6-0-04-110.00 Dividends	0.00	0.00	0.00		
TOTAL CEMETERY OPERATING REVENUE	\$19,132.95	\$4,570.59	\$7,375.00	9,368.69	6,375.00
OTHER REVENUE					
21-6-1-04-006.00 Public Donations	0.00	250.00	0.00		
TOTAL OTHER REVENUE	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$0.00		
TOTAL CEMETERY REVENUE	\$19,132.95	\$4,820.59	\$7,375.00	\$9,368.69	\$6,375.00
CEMETERY EXPENSES					
21-7-0-10-100.00 Salaries	1,386.00	1,536.00	2,000.00	2,142.00	2,000.00
21-7-0-10-110.00 Cemetery Fica/medi	106.02	117.50	152.00	163.86	152.00
21-7-0-15-200.00 Insurance					
21-7-0-15-311.00 Mileage	172.05	101.70	100.00		100.00
21-7-0-15-312.00 Supplies	566.12	623.60	800.00	1,111.03	800.00
21-7-0-15-312.01 Fuel	60.16		250.00		250.00
21-7-0-15-350.00 Repairs	150.00	250.00	150.00	200.00	150.00
21-7-0-15-600.00 Contracted Services	2,500.00	2,600.00	2,500.00	2,600.00	2,500.00
21-7-0-15-740.00 Cemetery Improvements					
21-7-0-15-800.00 Misc. Expense	137.50	742.50	300.00	175.00	300.00
Transfer from Cemetery Fund			(5,000.00)		(5,000.00)
21-7-0-15-810.00 Trees		2,700.00	5,000.00		5,000.00
21-7-0-15-820.00 Tractor		12,839.34		251.00	
21-7-0-15-830.00 Shed				1,343.19	
Transfer from Cemetery Fund			(17,877.00)		
Roadway paving & water hookup			19,000.00		
21-7-0-15-840.00 Roadway	3,855.00				
TOTAL CEMETERY EXPENSES	\$8,932.85	\$21,510.64	\$7,375.00	\$7,986.08	\$6,252.00
CEMETERY INCOME LESS EXPENSES	\$ 10,200.10	\$ (16,690.05)	\$0.00	1,382.61	123.00

Equipment Inventory

INVENTORY OF PEACHAM EQUIPMENT	Purchase year	Lifespan (years)	% used	Cost to replace	Annual reserve	Suggested reserve to date
Highway						
2013 Freightliner dump truck with plow and spreader	2013	10	20%	\$ 130,000	\$ 13,000	\$ 26,000
2011 Caterpillar Grader	2011	20	20%	\$ 250,000	\$ 12,500	\$ 50,000
2012 Mack dump truck with plow and wing	2011	10	40%	\$ 155,000	\$ 15,500	\$ 62,000
2010 Mack dump truck with plow and wing	2010	10	50%	\$ 155,000	\$ 15,500	\$ 77,500
2008 Caterpillar loader/backhoe with extra bucket	2010	8	63%	\$ 75,500	\$ 9,438	\$ 47,188
2009 Chevrolet Silverado pickup with plow	2009	10	60%	\$ 35,000	\$ 3,500	\$ 21,000
1998 John Deere 544H loader	1998	15	113%	\$ 100,000	\$ 6,667	\$ 100,000
York rake	2013	40	5%	\$ 6,200	\$ 155	\$ 310
Culvert thawing rig, with trailer	2013	10	20%	\$ 5,000	\$ 500	\$ 1,000
Chloride tank (750 gallon)	1998	10	170%	\$ 1,200	\$ 120	\$ 1,200
Chloride tank (2500 gallon)	2000	15	100%	\$ 3,000	\$ 200	\$ 3,000
1999 Vermeer brush chipper	1999	15	107%	\$ 12,000	\$ 800	\$ 12,000
6000 gallon diesel fuel tank and pump	1993					\$ -
300 gallon gasoline tank and hand pump	2012					\$ -
2008 Titan 8000 generator	2008					\$ -
2008 Honda water pump	2008					\$ -
Lincoln welder	1988					\$ -
AgriMetal bale chopper	2004	10	110%	\$ 7,500	\$ 750	\$ 7,500
Laptop PC	2012	5	60%	\$ 750	\$ 150	\$ 450
Totals					\$ 65,779	\$ 383,148
Office						
Copier	2007	8	100%	\$ 4,400	\$ 550	\$ 4,400
Server PC	2005	5	200%	\$ 3,000	\$ 600	\$ 3,000
Desktop PC	2014	5	20%	\$ 500	\$ 100	\$ 100
Desktop PC	2014	5	20%	\$ 500	\$ 100	\$ 100
Printer	2005	3	333%		\$ -	\$ -
Totals					\$ 1,350	\$ 7,600
Lister						
Desktop PC	2014	5	20%	\$ 500	\$ 100	\$ 100
Desktop PC	2014	5	20%	\$ 500	\$ 100	\$ 100
Laptop PC	2014	5	20%	\$ 750	\$ 150	\$ 150
Printer	2014	3	33%	\$ 300	\$ 100	\$ 100
Totals					\$ 450	\$ 450

Selectboard Report

This year we rolled up our sleeves and got three lingering projects taken care of.

The first was the foundation and sill repair of the roller barn. C & C Bunnell, LLC was contracted for this work and did a very commendable job. New concrete wall, new sills, footing drains and crushed stone interior. Our hope is to have the wood floor finished by July 4, 2015.

The second was County Road Box Culvert. As you remember this washed out twice the year of the floods. This was a huge job that took several weeks. There were many contractors and our own crew that worked very hard to accomplish this project. We appreciate everyone involved in the completion of this massive undertaking.

The third was the floor in the cemetery storage building. The rotted wood was removed. Crushed stone was put in, then concrete was poured on top.

We also spend many hours and work hard to keep the budget in check.

Thank You,

Peacham Selectboard

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Andy Cochran".

Other Reports

Listers' Report

In 2014 the Listers continued valuing new buildings and improvements to existing buildings while remaining current with State mandates. Many properties will be visited in the first quarter of 2015 in order to bring the town-wide valuation up-to-date for the 2015 tax year.

Every year the Vermont Department of Taxes evaluates the uniformity of appraisal for each town to ensure that values are fair and consistent. Two measures are used: the Coefficient of Dispersion (COD) and the Common Level of Appraisal (CLA).

The coefficient of dispersion measures the uniformity of appraisal for all properties in the grand list. It measures the average deviation from market value of sold properties from the average town wide level of appraisal. In 2014 our COD was 11.63%, an acceptable value, well below the 20% threshold where the State requires a town-wide reappraisal.

The Common Level of Appraisal Provides a town-wide comparison of the total listed value to the State's estimate of total fair market value. Peacham's CLA for 2014 was 103.57%.

In early summer Jackie Kempton resigned as a Lister. Fortunately Rick Scholes volunteered to serve out her term and was appointed by the Selectboard in the autumn. Rick brings both knowledge and enthusiasm to the job and has been an asset to the Lister's office.

Unfortunately, Jim (Mini) Minichiello is retiring as a Lister. Mini has been invaluable to the day-to-day functions and to the public interface of the office. He will be greatly missed.

Respectfully Submitted

Rusty Barber

Rick Scholes

Jim Minichiello

Fire Department Report

The Peacham Fire Department responded to a total of 72 emergency responses in 2014. The breakdown of responses includes: 26 in-town fires calls and fire related emergencies, 46 in-town medical emergencies, and 15 out of town mutual aid calls. The department was awarded a grant at the end of 2014 to add a repeater radio in our rescue unit. This will aid in transmitting vital information to our dispatching service in St. Johnsbury.

In 2014 we purchased a new hose testing machine. This will allow us to test our entire assortment of hoses on an annual basis which is required by ISO. This will help in maintaining our fire rated status in the Town of Peacham.

MEMBERS NEEDED!!

As in the past our focus for the upcoming year is recruitment of new members. We especially need firefighters that may be available during the daytime hours. As fire departments are called for more and more non- emergency situations and true emergencies we need the manpower to fulfill these needs. Yes, this can be a demanding job at times however it can be one of the most rewarding. The Peacham Fire Department is willing to work with anyone to bring the skills and knowledge they may possess and put it use.

If you are interested in assisting the fire department in any way, or if you are interested in becoming a new member or a department supporter, please do not hesitate to contact me. The department meets every Monday evening for a meeting or training session.

Thank you for your support.

Jeffrey Berwick, Chief

Medical Response

In the year 2014, Peacham Volunteer Fire Department logged 46 medical calls, this included 4 out of town medical mutual aid calls. Our medically trained personnel also provided services at fires in Peacham and at mutual aid fire calls.

When you call 911 for a medical emergency, medically trained members of the Peacham Fire Department arrive at your location within a few minutes with our first response vehicle, Rescue 1. Rescue 1 carries all of our medical equipment, ice rescue and rope rescue equipment, traffic control equipment and other specialized equipment. It is our role to deal with any life threatening emergencies immediately and assist Danville Rescue or CALEX Ambulance as they arrive to transport the patient to the hospital. Four of our EMS personnel also carry defibrillators. We DO NOT operate an ambulance, that task is provided by Danville Rescue. As with a fire call, we would much rather you call 911 as soon as you become aware of the emergency medical condition, than ponder whether the call is “serious”.

In 2014 we were fortunate to have six members trained as EMS medical first responders. Two of our members are trained as CPR instructors. With one exception, our medical responders transitioned to the newest national scope of practice at the end of January 2014. In 2015 we will have only four medical responders. We need you to volunteer to help us provide care for our neighbors.

At the Fire Department’s request, the Peacham Road Crew responded to one emergency to provide us with some needed manpower to help safely lift a patient. We are grateful for their timely assistance.

Again, we thank you for your continuing generosity which allows us to be well-equipped and well-trained. We also thank those of you who honored your loved ones with memorial gifts.

Please consider talking with your family and your physician about end-of-life issues. When you are unable to speak for yourself it is good to have a document available which clearly states your wishes as to emergency resuscitation efforts. Ask your physician about the document named “COLST” (Clinician Order for Life Sustaining Treatment). If you have such documents, they should be available for emergency medical personnel.

We can’t help you if we can’t find you. **Please** display your 911-house number. It should be visible from the road both day and night.

We need your help, please volunteer, you can help in many ways. If you are interested in taking a CPR course, contact Fire Chief Berwick or me. Also, if you are interested in obtaining Emergency Medical Training and/or Fire Training and becoming part of the Peacham Volunteer Fire Department, please contact Fire Chief Berwick. Visit the Peacham Fire Department website: <http://fire.peacham.net> for information about our department and how to submit an application for membership.

Thank you for your support,
Jerry Senturia
Secretary, Peacham Volunteer Fire Department

Danville Rescue Report

Danville Rescue has been serving the community's emergency medical needs for 46 years, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Although the method in which we are able to provide emergency medical services to our community has changed, we still pride ourselves on the ability to ensure the emergency medical care of our community members is being met.



Danville Rescue has been working with CALEX Ambulance as our contracted management partner for just over a full year and we are happy to report a positive turn in our patient outcomes. In review of the year we can see through the State of Vermont reporting system that not only are our patients receiving a higher level of care through the paramedic services CALEX Ambulance can offer us, but response times to calls have decreased and revenues have stabilized at a level sufficient to maintain full service function without any increase in appropriations.

Danville Rescue has been monitoring the progress of this contract on a monthly basis and is pleased to report the services being provided are being managed efficiently and effectively. When we look at the management contract we are monitoring several key factors: crew scheduling and performance, patient care, equipment maintenance and rotation, supply ordering and rotation, and responsiveness to community needs. All of these expectations are being met or exceeded in terms of the legal contract and the perception of the Executive Committee and Board of Directors.

You will still find our members hard at work in the community fundraising. Although we are now stable financially, there is always a need for new or updated equipment. We are in the process of replacing another stretcher (\$15,000), saving for future upgrades of our cardiac monitor/defibrillators (\$36,000 each), and laptops for our mandatory reporting systems. All of our major equipment purchases are to help us provide the best, most effective care to you and your friends or family so please stop by and show your support.

Danville Rescue members and affiliates would like to thank those who have taken the time in the past year to learn more about our new system of operation. We realize our new structure, while necessary to support a rural service area of our size, is a difficult model to understand for most people not directly involved in the everyday functioning of an emergency medical response system. Thank you for your patience and understanding. Danville Rescue is committed to ensuring the ongoing emergency medical care to the inhabitants of our service area as we have for nearly five decades.

As a reminder, membership applications were mailed out in December. If you have not received an application and would like one, or have further questions about our membership program please contact us through our billing office at 748-7544 or our business office at 684-9600. As always our business records are available for review by contacting our business office.

Remember: We would rather be called and not needed than needed and not called.

~That will never change!~

Umbrella's Report of 2014 Activity for Peacham

Town Appropriation Request: \$500

Umbrella exists to ensure that communities in Caledonia, Orleans and Essex counties offer safety, support and options for self-determination to women and families. To this end, we provide the following services:

The Advocacy Program is the essential safety net for people affected by intimate partner violence and sexual abuse. We meet the needs of victims in crisis while also offering preventative programming to local schools and youth groups with a focus on gender respect, consent, and healthy relationships. **In 2014 we:**

- **supported at least 485 individuals with direct advocacy**
- **housed 14 adults and 6 children in our shelter for a total of 846 bed nights**

Kingdom Child Care Connection is the community-based child care resource and referral center for Caledonia and Southern Essex counties. We are responsible for helping families find and pay for high-quality child care services while also increasing the availability and quality of child development services through professional development opportunities and targeted programmatic supports. **In 2014 we:**

- **helped 30 families find high-quality child care at no-cost**
- **connected 540 families with the Child Care Financial Assistance Program**
- **supported the creation of 10 new child care programs in our region's most underserved areas**
- **offered 230 hours of professional development to 90+ child care providers to ensure the people responsible for taking care of our youngest citizens have the tools and resources they need to do their best.**

The Family Room is a supervised visitation and monitored exchange center offering child-centered support for parents seeking to establish or rebuild relationships with their children. **Last year we offered 935 hours of visitation to help 91 children develop safe, healthy relationships with their non-residential parent.** Additional services such as therapeutic visitation, parenting education, and mediation can also be arranged in order to help families address their unique goals and needs.

Given that some of our services are provided anonymously, it can be difficult to provide precise usage figures for towns. At least one Peacham household and two child care providers were served directly by Umbrella in 2014, and the community as a whole benefited from prevention and outreach programs at schools, as well as training and consultation for human service and law enforcement professionals. Community support is critical to sustaining our programming and discovering innovative new approaches to the work we do. We are deeply grateful for Peacham's support.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Fay
Executive Director

Fire Warden Report

In 2014, 45 burn permits were issued. There were no wildland fires in Peacham in 2014, though the Fire Department did respond to a report of one. This turned out to be permitted burn.

In 2014, there were 53 wild land fires burning 91 acres reported to the State of Vermont Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation. There were no fires caused by lightning. All the reported fires were human caused with a majority of the acres burned caused by debris burning. Please be careful when burning.

A burn permit is required by state statute to burn natural wood and brush unless there is snow on the ground at the site of the burn. This may or may not require someone to inspect the site before issuing a permit. You MAY burn construction or demolition debris which includes an old barn, shed, house or similar structure. To do this you will need to request an air pollution permit from the Air Pollution Division of the Agency of Natural Resources. Please plan ahead as it will take time to request this permit. The phone number is 802-241-3840. This is wood only and you cannot burn, plywood, treated wood, painted wood, and other hazardous materials mixed with the debris. Obtaining a burn permit does not excuse you from obtaining a permit from the Air Pollution Division.

To request a burn permit please call me or Richard Greenwood. Our phone numbers are listed below and will be posted around town. Please do not call the Fire Chief or members of the Fire Department. They will tell you to contact one of us to request a burn permit. Please plan ahead. We may not always be available when you would like to burn.

If you have any questions, please call one of us.

To report any type of fire, call 911.

Neil Monteith, Fire Warden - 684-2165
Key Personnel, Richard Greenwood - 684-3170

Caledonia County Sheriff's Report For 2014

DEAN SHATNEY, SHERIFF CALEDONIA COUNTY
1126 MAIN STREET SUITE 2, ST. JOHNSBURY, VT 05819
802-748-6666 FAX 802-748-1684

E-MAIL: dshatney@dps.state.vt.us www.caledoniasheriff.com

We completed the audit for our office this past spring and it resulted in no findings or problems of any kind. Paula Watts our Office Manager and Bookkeeper does a wonderful job of making sure all our t's are crossed and our i's dotted. The state of the Caledonia County Sheriff's Department is very good. We have kept our rates for service the same for the past few years as we know the times are tough and we want people to feel that they can still afford our services. We continue to add vehicles to our fleet, replacing cars that have served us well. With these new vehicles we now have twelve marked cars, a 2014 van for prisoner transports, one unmarked car being used for civil process service. We have a large enclosed trailer that we use as an office at the fair and other security details. This trailer may be utilized as a command post at a mass casualty incident as well. We have an ATV, two golf carts, and two snowmobiles that we use for our snowmobile patrols. With project (ROAD), Responsible Operators Against Distractions, up and running, we want to continue to educate operators about phone use and texting while driving. We continue to do town patrols and we feel that the towns that we patrol are a safer place to live & drive in because of our presence. The patrols are community based. Which means each town is different, so the patrols may be different. We are taking a proactive response instead of a reactive response. Deputies are getting out of the cars and talking to the people who live in the communities. This effort has helped with both fighting crime and communications with the towns. The Sheriff's Department has twenty Law Enforcement Officers to start the new year. We have the best civil process server, in the state, and he has very few papers he cannot serve...generally because they have moved. We have become more active with local schools to ensure the safety of students and staff. We have been involved with drills and evacuation plans and will continue to assist as needed.

If anyone has questions or concerns, please call me at the office. My door is always open. I look forward to serving this county as the Sheriff. I grew up here, raising a family here, and will do everything in my power to keep it a safe place. We have established a wonderful working relationship with Northeast Vermont Regional Hospital and are helping them make certain that their patients and staff feel safe while in the hospital. We will again do snowmobile patrols throughout the county, if we get snow, doing our best to keep the trails as safe as possible, and we will again answer snowmobile related complaints.

Please check out our website listed at the top of this page. Thank You.

Sincerely,
Sheriff Dean Shatney

Cemetery Reports

Peacham Cemetery Report

The cemetery building had an upgrade of a new cement floor. What a wonderful improvement!

The Kubota tractor is serving us well for roadwork and improvements to gravesites.

The Peacham Cemetery belongs to the Vermont Cemetery Association. Twice yearly meetings inform us of upcoming proposals in law new practices, and products. This past summer we went to Boston to see how a very large cemetery operates. Boston may have many more acres than we do, but we all have the same concerns.

Cremations continue to grow as the burial of choice. The options of how you arrange your cemetery and the placement of cremations in specially designed areas are as varied as the imagination and money will allow.

For questions about purchases and by-laws, call Cheryl Stevenson 592-3202.

For questions about burials call Ron Craig 535-1191.

Thank you!

Town Treasurer's Cemetery Report

The sextons, Cheryl Stevenson and Ron Craig, deserve a shout of “thanks” from the Town. They both work hard at keeping the cemetery the beautiful and restful place it is.

The cemetery accounts continue to be healthy – enough so that I have recommended the Selectboard suspend the Town appropriation until the accounts shrink to more reasonable levels. The cemetery savings account and two CDs total over four years’ expenditures at 2014 levels, without any revenue whatsoever. I have also recommended we allow the endowment income to remain in the endowment account, thus growing the endowment at a higher rate for a few years.

We have moved the endowment account to Passumpsic Financial Advisors, with the expectation of a higher yield. I am also happier having our money managed locally. If the interest rates and stock market perform as well as last year, we should see the endowment exceed \$100,000 in 2015.

Thank you for entrusting me with your money,

Stan Fickes

Peacham Town Clerk/Treasurer

Development Review Board Report

The Peacham Development Review Board held four public hearings in 2014 to act on two subdivision applications, one conditional use request and one appeal of the Zoning Administrators' decision. The subdivision and conditional use requests were all approved. The appeal was granted and the conditional use request generated by that appeal was approved. There was also a motion to file a late appeal of a DRB decision submitted to the Vermont Environmental Court. That motion to file an appeal was denied by the Court.

Submitted by Nick Commerci – Chair DRB

Zoning Administrator's Annual Report

Zoning Applications for 2014:

Building Permit Applications	12	(all approved)
Subdivision Applications	1	(approved)

Submitted by Bob Hansen, Peacham Zoning Administrator

Permits Required

A Permit is required for:

- **Building/altering, subdividing, or change in use of parcel:** No land development may begin until a zoning permit has been issued by the Zoning Administrator as provided for in §4443, Title 24, VSA and Town of Peacham Zoning Regulations, Article 1, §103. The fee for a building permit application is \$30.00 plus a \$10.00 recording fee.
- **Appeal to Zoning Board of Adjustment:** All zoning permits referred to or appealed to the Peacham Zoning Board of Adjustment will cost \$25.00
- **Road access:** A permit is required from the Selectboard for any access from a property onto state highways and town roads (VSA 19, §§1-43 Act 460). The fee is \$27.00.
- **Fire:** A fire permit is needed for any open burning, except when the ground is snow-covered. Fire permits must be obtained from the Fire Warden. There is no fee.

Peacham Fire District No. 1 Prudential Committee Report

Peacham Fire District No. 1 Prudential Committee Annual Report, Jan-Dec 2014

The Annual Meeting was held at Peacham Library on February 11, 2014, at 7:00 PM with nine members in attendance. The proposed budget was discussed, water rent was approved at \$380 per year, and the village tax rate was voted at 8% of the 2013 Grand List.

Elections were held with the following results: Larry Jensen elected to a 3 year term on the Prudential Committee, Sean Markey elected Clerk; Becky Jensen elected treasurer and tax collector. Reports were presented to the voters by the Prudential Committee, Water Operator, Treasurer and Examiner.

It was noted by the water operator that meter readings can only account for **35- 65%** of the water usage. However, the repair of two major leaks at the Church and on the South line increased accountability by water meter readings to **75%**. Overall water usage averaged between 4-6000 gallons a day, down considerably from the last year as a result of line repairs made in 2013 and new repairs in 2014. There were no other major repairs to the system. Water meters were replaced where necessary and any new meters will be able to be installed at considerably less expense than originally thought.

At the request of several water users, the Prudential Committee agreed to provide up to date meter readings. These would be available for use by any members of the village water system who would be free to use them to investigate and (if they felt necessary) to propose a different method of assessing water fees based on usage. While it is the sentiment of the prudential committee that water is essentially free and the fee pays for maintenance and upkeep of the water system, the committee is certainly open and receptive to suggestions and recommendations from independent investigators.

The annual village picnic was held on August 30th to celebrate International Observe the Moon night with the Peacham Elementary School, The Peacham Library and the Northeast Kingdom Astronomy Foundation.

We wish to thank the voters of the Town of Peacham for appropriating \$1,500 to the Fire District, which has helped us light the village streets and walkways while staying in sound financial condition. We also thank the Peacham Town Road Crew, who cleared access to the reservoir and control shed during the winter months. And thank you to Peacham Library for providing a location for our annual and monthly meetings.

Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted by the Prudential Committee,

Larry Jensen, Sean Markey, Jonathan Kaplan.

Peacham Library Report

The new library ...[is a] marvelous place for children, but it corrupts them with false information in that first part - lie. It has got to be truthbrary. ~ James Michener (1907-1997)

Peacham Library strives to be the go-to place for all residents. The library offers, free of charge (even when items come back late!), print, electronic and audio books, movies, e-readers, computers, online resources and people to help you find just what you need. The library also offers you the opportunity to get out – to a program, for a meeting or free wireless (24/7), or a chance to talk to someone.

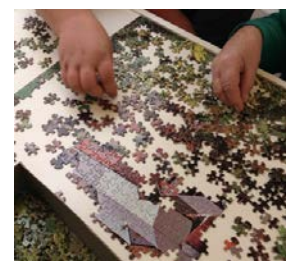
Our community space is about to change – for the better. We envision a theater space for music, presentations and movies. A more functional kitchen will open the opportunity for cooking classes and other food needs. Comfortable chairs will replace some of the old metal ones. One vision has larger windows to further open the space and brighten the room. Plans are already underway to use the space as an educational center and offer classes for a wide audience.

A quick look at our yearly statistics and how folks use the library: Visitors – 4893, Computer users – 731, Checkouts – 5381, Audio and ebook downloads – 333, Volunteer hours – 959. And the one we are most proud of – 194 programs offered, 20 in conjunction with partners, with 3167 attendees. Our programs place us second per capita wise in the state for programs offered!



Here's just a sample of our programs:

- Poetry night, and an author event with book signing
- Mathematical art camp
- Maker space – arduinos, squishy circuits, fiber and more
- Summer Reading camp, story time, and readers discussions
- Music – coffee houses, Theremin, and a concert with readers
- Sugar on Snow, Santa, Crafts & Latkes, Game Nights
- Knitters and puzzlers
- Family friendly, weekly coffee hour with home made treats.
- Financial, educational and health themed presentations



Stop by the library to see for yourself the variety that the library offers.

The library exists in Peacham because of you, our community. Thank you for all you do to help us bring the library and its resources to you. Thank you, too, for your generosity and support at town meeting and throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,
Becky Jensen, Director

Tree Board

David Jacobs, Julie Lang, Bruce Maclean, Neil Monteith & Dave Stauffer

The **Peacham Tree Board** celebrated its eighth year in 2014. Since its charter was adopted in 2006, Peacham Tree Board has generated \$14,000 in grants to fund the planting of over 35 trees and provide maintenance for the villages' aging tree population. Peacham was awarded its **Tree City designation** in 2008. Ongoing projects led by the Tree Board underscore the community's commitment to preserving, improving and protecting its village landscape.

May 3 was Peacham Arbor Day. 28 Peacham residents of all ages (18 adults and ten children) brought their brawn and shovels to help with the planting of five trees: four red oaks and one sugar maple. The trees were planted at the main intersection in Peacham village: two on the Jensen property and three on Dru Powden's property across the road.

Bruce Maclean secured the grant from Vermont Urban & Community Forestry to pay for trees. Dave Jacobs and Neil Monteith staked locations and supervised the digging of holes, done by Barry Snow of the Peacham Road Crew. Dave Stauffer added the supports around the trees. In the months to follow, residents and Tree Board members shared watering and maintenance of the newly planted trees.

The 'Caring for Canopy' grant that funded this work supports ongoing efforts to preserve and replace trees in Vermont's villages. Turn of the century photographs of Peacham village with its superb canopy of graceful trees illustrates what we have lost in the past 100 years. The planting of new trees along Bayley Hazen Road benefits the community for their beauty, shade, traffic calming and reduction of storm water runoff.

Three non-native insects are currently threatening Vermont trees: Emerald Ash Borer (EAB), Asian longhorned beetle and hemlock wooly adelgid . EAB is our greatest threat and its magnitude could rival that of Dutch Elm disease. There are 100 million ash trees in Vermont alone; one of every 12 trees is an ash. In April, you might have attended the Peacham **EAB Awareness** walk led by State Forester Neil Monteith or seen the purple ribbons we tied on ash trees around Peacham. There is no EAB infestation in Vermont...yet. We will continue to monitor the situation. The closest infestations are in Merrimack County, NH; Berkshire County, MA; New York's Hudson Valley and just 30 miles north of the Vermont border in Carignan, Quebec.

Peacham Community Housing Report



Peacham Community Housing

This is the third consecutive year PCH has requested a town appropriation of \$1,000. These funds have been instrumental in continuing PCH's various services to the town and we are currently involved in 6 programs and projects in Peacham:

- **Kenerson Senior Center** – This senior housing facility provides area residents affordable housing that allows them to remain in their community. This 6-unit building is home to nine seniors.
- **Science Building** – This building is owned by the same PCH-Housing Vermont partnership that owns and operates the Kenerson Apts. We continue to explore uses for this unoccupied building.
- **Peacham Café** – A subsidiary of PCH, and utilizing PCH property, please refer to their separate report to learn more about this exciting community project.
- **Peacham Farmers Market** – Community markets require space and insurance coverage to operate. Since 2011, PCH has provided both.
- **Corner Guild and Old Towne Hall** – PCH also owns this two story historic building at the center of town (adjoining the Peacham Café). The 1st floor is operated by the Peacham Guild where local crafts and wares are sold. Until a few months ago, this 2nd floor had been occupied by the Peacham Historic Association, but with their new facility, this leaves this section of Old Towne Hall vacant and we are now exploring potential uses for this space.
- **Local event structure and support** - In addition to the above, PCH offers our organizational structure and insurance policies for other community activities, such as the annual Peacham Acoustic Music Festival (PAM Fest). PCH will continue to be a primary partner in community activities and we stand at the ready to assist with any community project and/or opportunity that arise.

On behalf of the board of directors, thank you for your continued support! Please contact

Ross MacDonald to learn more.

ross.macdonald11@gmail.com

584-3993

Transfer Station

Recycling

Recyclable Items:

- Newspaper, Magazines, Office Paper, Shredded Paper, Junk Mail
- Cardboard, Brown Craft Bags, Boxboard
- Aluminum Cans, Foil, Beverage Cans
- Steel/Tin Cans
- Glass (place metal lids in Metal Bin)
- Batteries
- Aerosol Cans, Propane Tanks
- Electronics

These are items are not Recyclable

Please place them in the compactor or bulky waste container.

Plastics:

Lawn Chairs
Children's Toys
Auto Parts
All PVC
Vinyl Siding
Styrofoam

Plastic Bags:

#'s 1,3,5,6,7
White Trash Bags
Black Trash Bags
"Zip Lock" Bags
Zipper Bags
Mylar Coating
Food Packages

Misc:

Appliances
Waxed Cardboard
Wrapping Paper
Ceramic Material

Paint Drop Off Locations

Business Name

Lyndonville Hardware
JB Colton
St Jay Hardware
Sherwin-Williams
Poulin Lumber
Gervais Ace Hardware
Poulin Lumber

Location

Lyndonville, Vermont
Orleans, Vermont
St. Johnsbury, Vermont
St. Johnsbury, Vermont
Hardwick, Vermont
Island Pond, Vermont
Derby, Vermont

Transfer Station Fees

Item	Price
White Kitchen Bags	\$1
30ish Gallon Black Bags	\$3
Contractor Bags	\$5
Barrels	\$5
Truck Loads	\$35 and UP at Attendant's Discretion
Trailers, One Tons, Flatbeds	Attendant's Discretion
Large Appliances	\$10
Sofa	\$10
Large Chairs	\$5
Twin Bed/Box Spring	\$5 each
Full, Queen, King Bed/Box Spring	\$10 each
Other/Misc.	Attendant's Discretion

All Materials are left at the discretion of the Attendant. Please be courteous to them and respect their decisions. They have the final say, no discussions.

Access is available by appointment. Access is not guaranteed but at the availability of the Attendant. Please call the Transfer Station Attendant directly.

The surcharge for this privilege is \$15 plus the cost of refuse.

Please see Attendant prior to dumping for truck loads, odd items, and misc. items.

Transfer Station Attendant: Bob Campbell, 592-3046

St. Johnsbury Transfer Station

For extended hours you are welcome to take your refuse to the transfer station in St Johnsbury at 548 High Street. Their hours are:

7:15 am – 3:45 pm Monday – Thursday,
Friday and Saturday 7:15a – noon.

They can be reached at 748-2332

NEK Waste Management District Warning

WARNING NEK WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BUDGET VOTE MARCH 3, 2015

The legal voters of the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District are hereby notified and warned to vote, by Australian Ballot, at the polling place and between the hours specified by their municipality on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 to act on the following article.

ARTICLE 1: Shall the voters authorize the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District to appropriate and expend a budget of \$743,598?

Ralph Clement	Laurie Esman
Don Dagen	Rich Beto
Kenneth Johnson	John Campbell
Robert W. Sandberg	William D. D.
Lynn Keen	Claude O. Phipps
Rebecca Burt	Joel Cope
John J. Jostens	James W. Ashley
Ben Davis	Gene A. Perkins
Alma Daigle	Barbara Perkins
Tracy W. Sherbrook	Robert Smith
Timothy P. Oakley	The Voice
Kianna F. Fardus	
Robt. J. J.	
Nikem Simons	
Jack Sumner	
David J. J.	

NEKWMD Proposed Budget 2015: Revenue

BUDGET ITEM	2014 BUDGET	2015 PROPOSED BUDGET
Grants--St of VT	\$55,000.00	\$61,250.00
Hauling-Recycling Pick-ups	\$3,000.00	\$1,800.00
Hazardous Waste(CEG Fees)	\$2,000.00	\$5,000.00
Interest Income	\$0.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Sale Composter/Bins	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Programs- Oil Filter Program	\$500.00	\$500.00
Sale of Recyclables	\$145,000.00	\$174,895.00
Compost Income	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Electronics Income	\$10,000.00	\$8,000.00
Scrap Metal Income	\$22,500.00	\$18,000.00
Battery Income	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Tire Income	\$14,500.00	\$9,000.00
Surcharge--Waste Haulers	\$437,478.00	\$460,153.00
TOTAL NEK REVENUES	\$694,978.00	\$743,598.00

NEKWMD Proposed Budget 2015: Expense

BUDGET ITEM	2014 BUDGET	2015 PROPOSED BUDGET
ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES		
Advertising	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
Audit -- Financial	\$3,400.00	\$4,500.00
Audit -- Waste Haulers	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
Bank Charges	\$0.00	\$0.00
Books & Subscriptions	\$125.00	\$100.00
Cleaning	\$1,700.00	\$1,920.00
Copier	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Dues/Permits/Fees/ Penalties	\$2,700.00	\$2,500.00
Heating Fuel	\$2,000.00	\$1,600.00
Interest Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00
Liability & Casualty & Emp. Prac.	\$14,621.00	\$15,070.00
Planning	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Legal Fees	\$6,000.00	\$2,500.00
Postage	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Office Supplies	\$2,500.00	\$3,000.00
Telephone - Office	\$3,000.00	\$3,200.00
Water/Sewer	\$1,500.00	\$1,400.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$53,046.00	\$52,290.00
BUILDING EXPENSES		
Improvements	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Electricity	\$8,500.00	\$8,800.00
Maintenance	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Misc. Supplies	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Trash Removal	\$2,000.00	\$2,100.00
TOTAL BUILDING	\$15,000.00	\$15,400.00
EQUIPMENT EXPENSES		
Purchases	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Baler Repairs	\$8,000.00	\$10,000.00
Baler Supplies	\$7,000.00	\$9,000.00
Forklift Fuel	\$2,500.00	\$3,000.00
Forklift Repairs	\$6,000.00	\$5,000.00
Miscellaneous Equipment Repairs	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Skidsteer Fuel	\$2,000.00	\$900.00
Skidsteer Repairs	\$2,000.00	\$1,750.00
Warehouse Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Trucks--Diesel	\$33,200.00	\$28,000.00
Trucks--Repairs	\$7,000.00	\$10,000.00
TOTAL EQUIPMENT	\$71,700.00	\$71,650.00

BUDGET ITEM	2014 BUDGET	2015 PROPOSED BUDGET
Gross Wages	\$311,606.00	\$334,800.00
Overtime Wages-- Warehouse	\$5,000.00	\$7,500.00
Fica (Employer Match)	\$19,010.00	\$21,225.00
Medi (Employer Match)	\$4,446.00	\$5,000.00
State Unemployment Insurance	\$11,200.00	\$13,500.00
VMERS (Retirement)	\$14,940.00	\$17,250.00
Workman's Compensation Insurance	\$13,500.00	\$25,896.00
Health Insurance/Health Savings	\$80,000.00	\$63,000.00
Mileage - Employee	\$6,300.00	\$6,300.00
Mileage- Supervisor's	\$5,500.00	\$5,900.00
Personnel Equipment	\$500.00	\$1,200.00
Training	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Travel	\$200.00	\$200.00
TOTAL PERSONNEL	\$473,202.00	\$502,771.00
PROGRAMS EXPENSES		
Advertising	\$3,300.00	\$4,500.00
Permits & Fees	\$0.00	\$400.00
Composting	\$7,000.00	\$13,000.00
Composter/Bin	\$7,000.00	\$11,000.00
Education Outreach	\$14,230.00	\$20,087.00
Electronics Recycling	\$0.00	\$0.00
Hazmat Disposal	\$20,000.00	\$25,000.00
Hazmat Supplies	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
Special Collections	\$1,500.00	\$500.00
Tire Disposal	\$11,000.00	\$9,000.00
TOTAL PROGRAMS	\$70,030.00	\$89,487.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$682,978.00	\$731,598.00
DEBT REDUCTION PAYMENTS		
Interest	\$0.00	\$0.00
Principal	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL DEBT REDUCTION	\$0.00	\$0.00
CAPITAL FUND		
Capital Improvement Fund	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL FUND	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
TOTAL NEK EXPENSES	\$694,978.00	\$743,598.00

NEKWMD Executive Committee Report

The NEKWMD finished 2014 with 40 of 49 towns reporting increased recycling volumes. This resulted in a District-wide increase of 15% more recycling compared to 2013. Recycling markets were steady to declining through the end of the year. Unfortunately, the steep drop in global oil prices drove the cost of many commodities, including recyclables, down in 2014.

There were no additions or subtractions to the District in 2014. We continue to serve the largest geographical area and largest number of towns (49) in the State. Our population served is 3rd in the state behind only Chittenden Solid Waste District and the Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District.

The Vermont legislature passed Act 148, the Universal Recycling Law, early in 2012. This piece of legislation includes, among other things, mandatory pay-as-you-throw for trash disposal and phased-in landfill bans for certain recyclables, leaf and yard wastes, and source separated organics. The NEKWMD assisted 14 towns in implementing unit-based pricing, held two hauler meetings, and served on a state-wide committee relating to the Universal Recycling Law in 2014. 2015 will see more of the same in helping our member communities comply with the law.

The NEKWMD is entering 2015 with a proposed budget of \$743,598 - an increase of 7% percent. The increase is in response to the provisions of the Universal Recycling Law. We will be entering 2015 with a surcharge rate increase of 5.6%. The surcharge on non-recycled waste (trash) will increase \$1.25 per ton to \$23.25 per ton in 2015. Our surcharge on trash remains just below the State average of \$24.04.

The NEKWMD was staffed by ten full-time and one part-time employee in 2014. Each of the member Towns is entitled to representation by at least one Supervisor. The Board of Supervisors is the principal authority over the NEKWMD and the primary means of contact with the member towns. The Board of Supervisors meets monthly with the District's Executive Director to set the direction of NEKWMD policy. The member Towns are also represented through their ability to vote on the NEKWMD budget at their Town Meeting in March.

Since the surcharge on trash is based on the amount of waste produced, members have a clear opportunity to control their waste management costs. Costs can decrease as waste generation rates decrease and recycling rates increase.

We would like to express our appreciation to our able staff for their continuing commitment to our mission. The 50,500 residents of 49 Towns throughout the Northeast Kingdom can be assured that the NEKWMD will continue to address their waste management concerns in a timely and environmentally sound fashion.

NEKWMD Executive Committee

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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE TOWN OFFICERS
TOWN OF PEACHAM
School Reports
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2014



SCHOOL FISCAL YEAR ENDING
June 30th, 2014

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Peacham School Auditors' Report

We have reviewed the professional audit of the Peacham School District for June 30, 2013. This review identified no material weaknesses or significant deficiencies.

A professional audit was again commissioned in 2014 on the Peacham School District. We expect to rely on this audit, when complete, to assure that the reports presented here represent the financial position of the Peacham School District on June 30, 2014, and give an accurate account of the funds during the school year.

Charles Byron, Jan Eastman, and Julie Kempton

Peacham School District Auditors

Warning of the Annual School District Meeting

WARNING FOR THE ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING OF THE TOWN OF PEACHAM TO BE HELD ON MARCH 03, 2015

The legal voters of the town of Peacham are hereby warned to meet in the Peacham Congregational Church on Tuesday, March 03, 2015 immediately following the town meeting to transact the following business:

ARTICLE 1 To elect a Moderator to conduct and govern the meeting.

ARTICLE 2 To elect 1 School Director for a term of 3 years.
To elect 1 School Director for a term of 2 years.

ARTICLE 3 To elect a School District Clerk/Treasurer.

ARTICLE 4 To hear a Report of the Board.

ARTICLE 5 Shall the voters of the Peacham School District vote to adopt an expenditure budget as presented for the school year ending June 30, 2016 including an appropriation of a sum of money for the support of schools with provisions for current expenses, capital improvement, a deficit if any, and for other lawful purposes?

ARTICLE 6 Shall the voters of the Peacham School District approve the transfer of \$6,000 to the Capital Fund?

ARTICLE 7 Shall the voters of the Peacham School District authorize its Board of Directors to borrow money to pay its lawful debts and expenses for the fiscal year which ends June 30, 2016 in an amount not to exceed 90% of the anticipated collection of taxes and receipts of other funds to be used for those purposes?

ARTICLE 8 To transact any other non-binding business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated at Peacham this 21st day of January, 2015.

Peacham School Directors

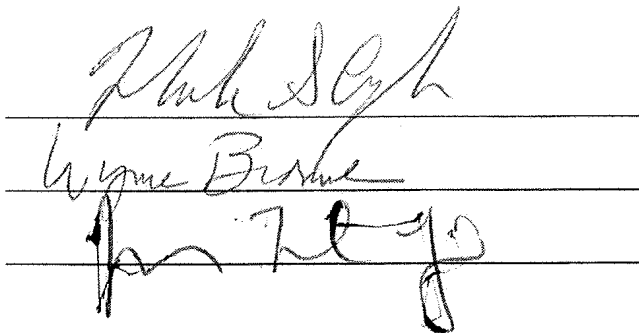
Mark Clough, Chair

Wynne Browne, Vice-Chair

Jenny Mackenzie, Clerk



Attest: Stanley L. Fickes, Peacham Town Clerk/Treasurer



Minutes of 2013 School District Meeting

The legal voters of the town of Peacham met at the Peacham Congregational Church in Peacham, on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at 10:00 AM.

Reverend Robert Potter welcomed the Peacham residents and guests to the Peacham Congregational Church and community meeting house. Reverend Potter expressed his appreciation to the community for their continued support of this historic and essential gathering place. He thanked everyone for their past and continued support for the building.

John Marshall spoke specifically about the church's steeple repair project.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Tim McKay asked for a moment of silence to remember those who passed away this past year.

Tim McKay invited everyone to the potluck lunch put on by the Women's Fellowship. He then summed up the ground rules for the meeting, the main topic being the necessity for respect for each other throughout the meeting.

Article 1 To elect a Moderator to conduct and govern the meeting.

Bob Fuehrer nominated Tim McKay for Moderator for the ensuing year. John Marshall seconded. Dick Browne moved to close nominations. Motion seconded by Diana Senturia. There being no further nominations a voice vote was taken. McKay elected.

Article 2 To elect a School Director for a term of three years. Sam Kempton nominated Wynne Browne. Janet St. Onge nominated Molly Willard. Rick Scholes moved to close nominations. John Marshall seconded. A voice vote was taken to close nominations. Nominations closed. Moderator called for a paper ballot. Moderator asked both candidates to stand and introduce themselves. The result of the paper ballot was: a total of 121 votes cast. 61 votes were need for election. Molly Willard received 75 votes. Wynne Browne received 46 votes. Molly Willard elected.

Article 3 To elect a School District Clerk/Treasurer.

John Marshall nominated Stan Fickes. Diana Senturia seconded. There being no further nominations, John Marshall moved to close the nominations. Rick Scholes seconded. A voice vote closed nominations. A voice vote was taken to elect Stan Fickes as School Clerk/Treasurer. Stan Fickes was elected.

Article 4 To hear a Report of the Board.

Bruce McLean asked a procedural question about what will happen when School Board member, Jenny Mackenzie, takes a one year sabbatical. What will become the makeup of the Board and how will that be addressed? Wynne Browne responded that the Board will appoint someone to fulfill the term until the next election at which time the position will be open.

Wynne Browne reported for the current Board of School Directors and introduced Judy Ross, the school principal. She also introduced Hannah and Tom Galinat. Hannah is the schools' new second and third grade teacher and Tom is the school's 21st Century Grant Program Coordinator. Wynne reported and discussed specific budget line items regarding revenues, expenses, and tax calculation matters. Wynne stated that school expenses have increased due to tuitioning out costs, school maintenance, teachers' and CCSU staff salaries, some CCSU accounting adjustments, and the State's per pupil educational calculations. Wynne took a moment to thank Matt Kiley for volunteering his time and expertise as a lighting consultant in administering the Evergreen Loan which will reduce energy expenses at the school. Additional school maintenance projects are anticipated, particularly with the heating and ventilation system.

Cost comparison sheets were distributed comparing current and past years' budget figures. Statistical results indicated that the overall cost over four years for the cost of the school was up 4.1%. An additional sheet comparing surrounding town school costs with Peacham's was presented. Results showed that Peacham's per pupil cost were well within the average. Mark Clough added that the student census figures of Peacham need to increase, especially by attracting younger families to town.

Discussion was held regarding the impact of this year's tax rate, the cost of legal fees, the status and implications of school district consolidation, the quantity of financial information in this year's report, and other matters. Josette Lyders thanked Wynne Browne for her contributions to the school.

Article 5 Shall the voters of the Peacham School District vote to adopt an expenditure budget as presented for the school year ending June 30, 2015 including an appropriation of a sum of money for the support of schools with provisions for current expenses, capital improvement, a deficit if any, and for other lawful purposes?

Wynne Browne explained that the wording of Article 6 would only authorize a transfer, not spending, and therefore the total school budget figure in this article should increase by \$6000 to allow the school board to spend money transferred to the Capital Fund.

Kathy Corcoran moved that the Town approve a total school budget of \$1,696,552. Matt Kiley seconded. Voice vote taken. Article 5 was approved.

Article 6 Shall the voters of the Peacham School District approve the transfer of \$6,000 to the Capital Fund?

Charlie Browne moved that the voters approve the transfer of \$6,000 to the Capital Fund. Rick Scholes seconded. There being no discussion Article 6 passed by a voice vote.

Article 7 Shall the voters of the Peacham School District authorize its Board of Directors to borrow money to pay its lawful debts and expenses for the fiscal year which ends June 30, 2015 in an amount not to exceed 90% of the anticipated collection of taxes and receipts of other funds to be used for those purposes?

Kathy Corcoran moved the article. John Marshall seconded. A voice vote was taken and Article 7 passed.

Article 8

To transact any other non-binding business that may legally come before the meeting.

Kathy Corcoran moved to adjourn. Jerry Senturia seconded. A voice vote adjourned the meeting.


The meeting adjourned at 11:48 AM.

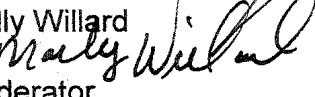
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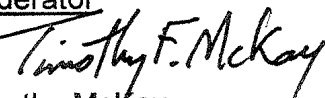
Peacham School Directors

Jenny Mackenzie

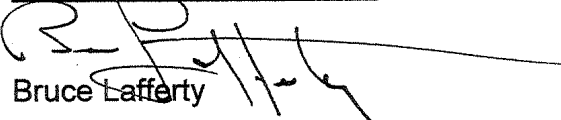

Mark Clough


Molly Willard


Moderator


Timothy McKay

Clerk to the School District


Bruce Lafferty

Balance Sheet

PEACHAM TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2013

	General <u>Fund</u>	Capital Projects <u>Fund</u>	Hot Lunch <u>Fund</u>	Totals Governmental <u>Funds</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash	\$ 53,365	\$ 18,852	\$ -	\$ 72,217
Investments	-	6,175	-	6,175
Accounts receivable	11,123	-	106	11,229
Due from State of Vermont	1,770	-	-	1,770
Due from CCSU, net	2,605	-	2,718	5,323
Due from other funds	22,965	-	-	22,965
Prepaid expenditures	<u>9,553</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,553</u>
Total assets	\$ <u>101,381</u>	\$ <u>25,027</u>	\$ <u>2,824</u>	\$ <u>129,232</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</u>				
LIABILITIES:				
Accounts payable	\$ 20,779	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,779
Accrued expenditures	27,855	-	-	27,855
Due to fiduciary funds	3,486	-	-	3,486
Due to other funds	<u>-</u>	<u>3,667</u>	<u>19,298</u>	<u>22,965</u>
Total liabilities	<u>52,120</u>	<u>3,667</u>	<u>19,298</u>	<u>75,085</u>
FUND EQUITY:				
Fund balances -				
Nonspendable	9,553	-	-	9,553
Committed	-	21,360	-	21,360
Unassigned	<u>39,708</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(16,474)</u>	<u>23,234</u>
Total fund balances (deficit)	<u>49,261</u>	<u>21,360</u>	<u>(16,474)</u>	<u>54,147</u>
Total liabilities and fund equity	\$ <u>101,381</u>	\$ <u>25,027</u>	\$ <u>2,824</u>	\$ <u>129,232</u>

Peacham School District Budget FY2016 - Revenue

General Fund		PROJECTED				
		Budget FYE June 30, 2014	Actual FYE June 30, 2014	Budget FYE June 30, 2015	Budget FYE June 30, 2016	Increase/ (Decrease)
Local						
1510	CD & MM Interest	13,368	14,017	13,368	14,000	632
5700	VRP Grant	2,000	1,500	- 0	- 0	- 0
5900	Miscellaneous		478	250	250	- 0
	Refund of Prior Year Tuition	- 0	425	- 0	- 0	- 0
	Carryforward Reserve	58,829	39,708	- 0	6,500	6,500
	Total Local Revenue	74,197	56,128	13,618	20,750	7,132
State						
3110	Education Fund Paymen	1,454,658	1,454,658	1,510,803	1,504,383	(6,420)
3114	On Behalf Voc Ed		5,334	6,705	6,830	125
	Total Education Spending	1,454,658	1,459,992	1,517,508	1,511,213	(6,295)
3111	Transportation Aid	15,492	15,471	17,855	15,836	(2,019)
3145	Small Schools Grant	55,998	65,798	68,650	75,830	7,180
3201	SE Mainstream Block Gr	35,596	31,994	33,775	34,404	629
3202	SEER Reimbursement	3,409		21,996	12,663	(9,333)
3204	Essential Early Education	6,321	6,321	4,681	6,530	1,849
3205	State Placed Student Reimbursement					- 0
	Total State Revenue	1,571,474	1,579,576	1,664,465	1,656,476	(7,989)
Federal						
4250	Consolidated Federal	14,000	16,939	15,750	14,830	(920)
5900	E-Rate	2,960	2,085	2,720	1,800	(920)
	Total Federal Revenue	16,960	19,024	18,470	16,630	(1,840)
Other						
5990	Prior Year Adjustment					
	Total GF Revenues	1,662,631	1,654,728	1,696,553	1,680,796	(15,757)
	FY14 Expenditures		(1,628,213)			
	[FY14 Unaudited] Surplus/(Defic	39,708	26,515			

<u>3100 Food Service Fund</u>						
	1600 Sales	9,500	11,733	11,500	11,950	450
	3000 State reimburseme	575	1,080	550	1,075	525
	4000 Federal reimbursed	15,200	15,559	13,950	15,650	1,700
	Subtotal revenues	25,275	28,372	26,000	28,675	2,675
	Interfund transfer	31,398	31,398	34,538	32,429	(2,109)
	Total Food Service	56,673	59,770	60,538	61,104	566
Grand Total		1,719,304	1,714,498	1,757,091	1,741,900	(15,191)

Budget FY2016 - Expenditures

					PROPOSED	
		Budget	Actual	Budget	Budget	Increase/
<u>function</u>	<u>object description</u>	<u>FY - 2014</u>	<u>FY-2014</u>	<u>FY - 2015</u>	<u>FY - 2016</u>	<u>(Decrease)</u>
<u>Pre-K</u>	100 Salaries	34,993	38,585	35,714	57,217	21,503
	200 Benefits	9,681	7,550	9,568	18,858	9,290
	330 Services from SU	6,321	6,321	4,681	4,681	-00
	600 Supplies/materials	-00	22	175	175	-00
Pre-k instruction Total		50,995	52,478	50,138	80,931	30,793
<u>K-12</u>						
<u>Instruction</u>	100 Salaries	230,063	232,230	256,133	276,848	20,715
	200 Benefits	81,290	65,907	91,146	79,178	(11,968)
	300 Professional services	3,888	2,160	2,375	2,200	(175)
	500 Other purchased ser	300	-00	1,150	1,335	185
	560 Student tuition	646,229	593,450	657,896	646,065	(11,831)
	600 Supplies/materials	9,871	8,394	5,900	6,750	850
	700 Furniture/equipment	1,100	121	600	500	(100)
1100 instruction Total		972,741	902,262	1,015,200	1,012,876	(2,324)
<u>Special Education</u>	100 Salaries	10,810	15,606	34,088	-00	(34,088)
	200 Benefits	2,213	2,862	12,026	-00	(12,026)
	300 Professional services	2,000	6,817	5,000	6,500	1,500
	330 Services from SU	4,640	1,770	5,500	20,484	14,984
	560 Student tuition	59,500	23,287	31,795	20,000	(11,795)
	600 Supplies/materials	3,000	1,372	1,500	1,500	-00
	700 Furniture/equipment	1,000	548	1,500	1,500	-00
1200 special ed. Instruction Total		83,163	52,262	91,409	49,984	(41,425)

<u>Student support</u>	100 Salaries	2,477	12,807	23,794	-00	(23,794)
	200 Benefits	190	1,636	8,844	-00	(8,844)
	300 Professional services	8,550	19,139	2,000	3,500	1,500
	330 Services from SU	5,750	4,023	8,018	6,538	(1,480)
	500 Other purchased ser	-00	-00	150	-00	(150)
	600 Supplies/materials	2,850	2,639	870	400	(470)
2100 Student support Total		19,817	40,243	43,676	10,438	(33,238)
<u>Guidance</u>	100 Salaries	11,459	15,322	15,322	16,255	933
	200 Benefits	1,160	1,381	1,551	1,680	129
	600 Supplies/materials	395	330	200	300	100
2120 guidance Total		13,014	17,033	17,073	18,235	1,162
<u>Health</u>	100 Salaries	4,920	4,766	4,618	4,899	281
	200 Benefits	542	430	540	558	18
	600 Supplies/materials	250	345	250	200	(50)
2130 health services Total		5,712	5,540	5,408	5,657	249
<u>Library/ Media</u>	100 Salaries	12,830	12,830	25,660	7,095	(18,565)
	200 Benefits	1,270	2,610	2,421	4,012	1,591
	300 Professional services	300	-00	-00	-00	-00
	500 Other purchased ser	-00	-00	500	500	-00
	600 Supplies/materials	3,925	2,872	2,200	2,500	300
	700 Furniture/equipment	-00	-00	-00	800	800
2201 library/media Total		18,325	18,312	30,781	14,907	(15,874)
<u>Technolog y</u>	100 Salaries	12,830	12,830	-00	7,095	7,095
	200 Benefits	1,270	1,111	-00	4,012	4,012
	300 Professional services	6,210	8,387	7,856	-00	(7,856)
	330 Services from SU	-00	-00	-00	8,720	8,720
	400 Property services	-00	-00	2,200	-00	(2,200)
	500 Other purchased ser	-00	570	2,046	2,346	300
	600 Supplies/materials	1,180	480	-00	200	200
	700 Furniture/equipment	4,400	7,543	2,500	4,000	1,500
2202 technology Total		25,890	30,920	14,602	26,373	11,771

<u>Professional Dev.</u>	200 Benefits	10,500	13,418	10,500	7,000	(3,500)
	300 Professional services	-00	-00	-00	4,500	4,500
	330 Services from SU	-00	9,419	-00	9,703	9,703
	500 Other purchased ser	-00	506	-00	500	500
2209 professional development Total		10,500	23,343	10,500	21,703	11,203
<u>Coaching</u>	100 Salaries	33,830	24,327	-00	-00	-00
	200 Benefits	14,251	13,267	-00	-00	-00
2210 support/coaching Total		48,081	37,593	-00	-00	-00
<u>General Admin.</u>	100 Salaries	600	600	600	1,900	1,300
	200 Benefits	50	8	51	150	99
	300 Professional services	10,000	17,209	10,000	10,000	-00
	330 Services from SU	55,664	55,664	44,987	49,499	4,512
	500 Other purchased ser	3,825	3,159	4,680	4,957	277
	600 supplies/materials	-00	49	-00	-00	-00
	800 Dues/fees	1,575	1,254	1,200	1,500	300
2300 general administration Total		71,714	77,944	61,518	68,006	6,488
<u>School Admin.</u>	100 Salaries	79,594	94,053	81,582	84,988	3,406
	200 Benefits	26,437	16,904	14,110	14,908	798
	400 Property services	3,860	3,525	3,875	5,050	1,175
	500 Other purchased ser	1,475	1,621	1,475	1,570	95
	600 Supplies/materials	1,400	913	1,400	1,400	-00
	700 Furniture/equipment	-00	-00	400	200	(200)
	800 Dues/fees	1,500	1,230	1,500	1,200	(300)
2400 school administration Total		114,266	118,246	104,342	109,316	4,974
<u>Fiscal services</u>	300 Professional services	800	-00	272	272	-00
	330 Services from SU	16,920	16,920	30,698	36,872	6,174
	600 Supplies/materials	300	78	-00	-00	-00
	800 Dues/fees	300	180	300	300	-00
	800 Interest	12,300	14,935	12,300	15,000	2,700
2520 fiscal services Total		30,620	32,113	43,570	52,444	8,874

<u>Plant operation</u>	100 Salaries	30,722	29,539	28,847	29,316	469
	200 Benefits	17,595	15,870	16,634	11,930	(4,704)
	300 Professional services	1,600	308	-00	200	200
	400 Property services	14,880	17,205	20,855	25,905	5,050
	500 Other purchased ser	350	294	350	250	(100)
	520 Liability insurance	1,250	1,605	2,000	2,000	-00
	530 Telephone/internet	3,700	2,835	3,400	3,000	(400)
	600 Supplies/materials	35,845	40,667	41,400	43,500	2,100
	700 Furniture/equipment	220	606	200	250	50
2600 plant operation Total		106,162	108,929	113,686	116,351	2,665
<u>Transportation</u>	330 Services from SU	-00	-00	40,301	40,862	561
	500 Other purchased ser	43,950	42,130	-00	5,000	5,000
2710 transportation Total		43,950	42,130	40,301	45,862	5,561
<u>Debt</u>	800 Interest	283	283	-00	-00	-00
	910 Debt principal	10,000	12,000	2,400	2,400	-00
5100 debt Total		10,283	12,283	2,400	2,400	-00
<u>Deficit reduction</u>	910 Debt principal	-00	-00	11,411	-00	(11,411)
5200 deficit reduction loan Total		-00	-00	11,411	-00	(11,411)
<u>Transfers</u>	900 Transfer to food serv	31,398	31,398	34,538	45,313	10,775
	900 Transfer to capital re	6,000	6,000	6,000		(6,000)
SubTotal	General Fund Budget	1,662,631	1,609,030	1,696,553	1,680,796	(15,757)
3100 Food Service Fund						
	100 Salaries	24,438	25,748	26,574	26,048	(526)
	200 Benefits	10,127	9,009	9,734	9,906	172
	400 Property services	500	-00	500	500	-00
	500 Other services	250	183	250	200	(50)
	600 supplies/food	25,050	20,741	22,980	22,450	(530)
	700 Equipment	500	500	500	2,000	1,500
Total	Food Service Fund	60,865	56,180	60,538	61,104	566
Grand Total Budget		1,723,496	1,665,209	1,757,091	1,741,900	(15,191)

Fiscal Year 2016 - Prior 3 Years' Comparison

	FY14 Budget		FY15 Budget		FY16 Proposed	
Total Expenditures including On Behalf Tuition		1,667,965		1,690,553		1,680,796
Separate Articles - Approved at Town Meeting				6,000		
Revenues		(207,973)		(179,045)		(169,583)
Total Education Spending (Act 68)		1,459,992		1,517,508		1,511,213
Equalized Pupils 2015-2016 (Final 12/15/14)		99.46		95.98		92.62
Education Spending per Equalized Pupil (Act 68)		14,679		15,811		16,316
<i>Excess Spending Threshold</i>	15,456		16,167		17,103	
			Base Rate		Base Rate	
District Spending Adjustment	9,151	160.41%	9,285	170.28%	9,459	172.49%
Equalized Homestead Tax Rate	0.94	1.51	0.98	1.67	1.00	1.72
			CLA		CLA	
Actual Homestead Tax Rate	96.60%	1.56	97.45%	1.71	103.57%	1.67
Non Residential Tax Rate	1.44	1.49	1.515	1.55	1.535	1.48
Proposed decrease in Education Spending						(6,295)
Per Cent decrease						-0.41%
1 cent on Tax Rate						9,074

Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness

Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness, FY2016 Report 16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2)(K)

School: Peacham Elementary School
S.U.: Caledonia Central S.U.

A list of schools and school districts in each cohort may be found on the DOE website under "School Data and Reports":
<http://www.state.vt.us/educ/>

FY2014 School Level Data

Cohort Description: Elementary school, enrollment < 100
(47 schools in cohort)

Cohort Rank by Enrollment (1 is largest)
37 out of 47

School level data								
Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total Teachers	Total Administrators	Stu / Tchr Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio		
PK - 6	39	3.80	0.33	10.26	118.18	11.52		
PK - 6	41	5.50	0.40	7.45	102.50	13.75		
PK - 6	45	5.46	0.60	8.24	75.00	9.10		
PK - 6	49	5.43	1.00	9.02	49.00	5.43		
PK - 6	51	5.34	0.90	9.55	56.67	5.93		
PK - 6	52	6.24	1.00	8.33	52.00	6.24		
PK - 6	53	6.40	0.40	8.28	132.50	16.00		
Averaged SCHOOL cohort data		65.43	6.69	0.78	9.78	84.06	8.60	

School District: Peacham
LEA ID: T151

FY2013 School District Data

Cohort Description: Elementary school district, FY2013 FTE < 100
(45 school districts in cohort)

School district data (local, union, or joint district)

Smaller >
 Weybridge
 Ripton
 Bridgewater
 Peacham

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 Stockbridge
 North Hero
 Reading

Cohort Rank by FTE
(1 is largest)
34 out of 45

Grades offered in School District

Student FTE enrolled in school district

Current expenditures per student FTE EXCLUDING special education costs

PK-6	40.87	\$21,074
PK-6	42.50	\$17,686
K-6	44.03	\$14,782
PK-6	44.72	\$19,479
PK-6	47.06	\$17,851
PK-6	47.79	\$16,372
PK-5	47.89	\$16,816
62.16		\$14,733

Current expenditures are an effort to calculate an amount per FTE spent by a district on students enrolled in that district. This figure excludes tuitions and assessments paid to other providers, construction and equipment costs, debt service, adult education, and community service.

Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data

FY2015 School District Data

LEA ID	School District	Grades offered in School District	School district tax rate			Total municipal tax rate, K-12, consisting of prorated member district rates			
			SchIDist	SchIDist Education	SchIDist	MUN	MUN	MUN	MUN
			Equalized Pupils	Spending per Equalized Pupil	Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate <small>Use these tax rates to compare towns rates.</small>	Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	Common Level of Appraisal	Actual Homestead Ed tax rate	
T170	Roxbury	PK-6	89.14	11,440.59	1.2075	1.2075	107.80%	1.1201	
T180	Salisbury	PK-6	90.71	14,908.43	1.5735	1.6560	97.61%	1.6966	
T143	North Hero	PK-6	93.87	14,499.45	1.5304	1.5304	95.01%	1.6108	
T151	Peacham	PK-6	95.98	15,810.66	1.6688	1.6688	97.45%	1.7125	
T197	Stockbridge	PK-6	101.72	15,917.54	1.6800	1.6800	99.23%	1.6930	
T067	Elmore	1-3	113.80	15,115.33	1.5954	1.5954	102.86%	1.5510	
T125	Middletown Springs	PK-6	118.75	16,006.80	1.6895	1.6895	101.43%	1.6657	

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The Legislature has required the Department of Education to provide this information per the following statute:

16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2) The school, at least annually, reports student performance results to community members in a format selected by the school board. . . . The school report shall include:

(K) data provided by the commissioner which enable a comparison with other schools, or school districts if school level data are not available, for cost-effectiveness. The commissioner shall establish which data are to be included pursuant to this subdivision and, notwithstanding that the other elements of the report are to be presented in a format selected by the school board, shall develop a common format to be used by each school in presenting the data to community members. The commissioner shall provide the most recent data available to each school no later than October 1 of each year. Data to be presented may include student-to-teacher ratio, administrator-to-student ratio, administrator-to-teacher ratio, and cost per pupil.

Employee Compensation, FY 2014

Peacham School District Employee Compensation				FY ending June 30, 2014		
<u>Contracts</u>				<u>Substitutes</u>		
Brisco, Janice	Grade 2/3	\$64,149		Dolores Blackmore		\$3,897
Cobb, Mary	Foreign language	\$10,360		Robert Campbell		\$240
Colosa, Kevin	Music	\$10,475		Brittany Cronin		\$300
Crum, Kathy	Retired	\$20,731		Mary Dimick		\$2,877
Doyon, Deborah	Nurse	\$420		Wendy Fearon		\$270
Harvey, Irene	Special Ed	\$15,345		Samanth Ferrato		\$345
Hoffman, Grace	Literacy remediation	\$52,372		Rhonda Hannon		\$465
Hoffman, Linda	Nurse	\$4,346		Jael Luomala		\$1,314
Kolling, Brandy	K/1 Teacher	\$15,310		Julianne Mackey		\$48
Heather Macdonald	Speech & Language	\$522		Julie Maxfield		\$252
Mead, Claire	Technology	\$12,830		Kathryn Nester		\$8,817
Ostrander, Regina	Physical Ed	\$12,025		Rose Nunn		\$1,798
Parker, Sarah	Pre-K	\$26,408		Jack Stewart		\$2,640
Parsons, Omri	Art Teacher	\$3,737		Nedra Willard		\$183
Ross, Judy	Principal	\$72,308		Alison Youens		\$3,235
Ruffner, Alice	Food Service	\$23,487		Mary Cobb		\$84
Ryan, Shirley	Admin Asst	\$20,779				
Sheehan, Rose	Guidance Counselor	\$15,322		<u>School Board Members</u>		
Stevenson, Cheryl	Custodian	\$26,265		Wynne Browne		\$200
Stevenson, Cheryl	Paraprofessional	\$7,680		Mark Clough		\$167
Webster, Heidi	Librarian	\$12,830		Jenny Mackenzie		\$200
Wheeler, Hanna	Grades 2-3	\$30,439		Joanne Post		\$33
Wilson, Gretchen	K/1 Teacher Sub	\$23,462				
<u>Summer Services</u>						
Mary Leadbeater		\$665				
Penelope Stevenson		\$995				

Peacham School District Employee Compensation				FY ending June 30, 2014		
<u>ELO Program</u>						
Thomas Galian		\$7,214				
Jennifer Burchell		\$36				
Mary Dimick		\$30				
Wendy Fearon		\$144				
Samantha Ferrato		\$72				
Grace Hoffman		\$630				
Jael Luomala		\$36				
Rose Nunn		\$72				
Omri Parsons		\$525				
Bethany Powers		\$927				
Alice Ruffner		\$2,731				
Elizabeth Ruffner		\$4,214				
Rose Shehan		\$840				
Cheryl Stevenson		\$42				
Jack Stewart		\$600				
Gretchen Wilson		\$4,185				

School Board Letter

Peacham Elementary School has had a very good year in terms of student experience and outcomes. Judy Ross and her team are responsible for creating a pleasant and learning focused environment in the '13-'14 school year which has continued to build on the good work from the past school year.

The Caledonia Supervisory Union has gone through a leadership change that has provided new opportunities for support and collaboration, including the business office, helping to support our new environment.

Initiatives on Judy's part and the Parent-Teacher-Friends group have included many high quality community events. Judy has committed to the area by purchasing a home nearby. Judy makes a point of joining in local activities and getting to know community members. She takes advantage of local resources in designing school activities. The Board is pleased to have a locally based energetic person like Judy to lead the School.

Our utility costs have really increased the last few years, and so the Board had an engineering firm do a building audit to determine the cause. It was discovered that the windows, doors and insulation "envelope" are inadequate in terms of heat loss. In addition, the heating and cooling stand-alone units in each room are very energy inefficient as well as noisy, which disrupts the classrooms. We are determining the cost of improving some of these items and then we plan to hold public meetings to ask for the Town's opinion about improving the building for the long term.

The budget for FY2014 was met and there was a \$40,000 surplus to carry over. So far, the FY2015 actual expenses are tracking to meet the budget we approved last year at Town Meeting. The budget we are developing for FY2016 will be mostly flat to the FY2015 budget. Ideally we would have a higher census of students in the School, which would create somewhat higher class sizes but not increase the need for more Staff. We would receive more State funding as our Equalized Pupil count increases. Everyone at every level is doing everything they can do to try and keep operating expenses from going up.

The State's funding of Education will be at the forefront of this Legislative session and there will be many initiatives proposed. At the present time it is most probable that the Small School Grant will be completely eliminated as the State pushes for school consolidation which would impact Peacham by \$75,000. The following items are the largest drivers of our Tax bill in Peacham:

1. The Peacham Common Level of Appraisal, or the difference between the value of our Tax value Grand List and current residential market values, is very close to 100% which is ideal and so does not cause us higher taxes.
2. Peacham's Spending per Equalized Pupil statistic has been increasing. Our actual student census has been flat and is proposed to increase in the near future based on current predictions, but the State formula to determine Student FTE lowers our student count below the actual count. This has the effect of increasing the Educational Spending per Equalized Pupil. At the School level we are much lower than last year by \$3,000 in spending per student and we compare favorably to other small schools.
3. This year, the Statewide Base Rate and Equalized Homestead Tax Rate is predicted to be a very small increase (up 2 cents to \$1.00). In Peacham because we are not over the Excess Spending Threshold in Cost per Student it is most likely we will not see an increase in the School tax based on these factors as things stand at this point.

The Town needs to identify the values around the School and keeping it in place. This of course assumes that it is well run and student outcomes are positive. The Board is committed to overseeing the excellence of the product, the opportunities for Peacham students to achieve success in their education, and the positive interaction of the School with the Town in creating the kind of community that Peacham residents believe in. Depending on your opinion around sustaining the School, our State representatives will play an important part at this critical time in determining the outcome of education in our small community and we encourage you to be in contact with them.

Principal's Report

Dear Peacham families and friends,

As I write this, our students are outdoors making the most of this cold, cold weather. There's a group sledding, some others out on the nature trail looking for animal tracks, and several joyful skaters making the most of our new parent-built skating rink. PES students are fortunate to be in a school that balances a rigorous instructional program with developing life-long interests and skills. We are fulfilling our school mission every day:

The Peacham Elementary School is a community of learners and teachers dedicated to developing the ability of each individual to think and communicate clearly, to explore the world, to make responsible decisions, and to have concern for the common good.

This year's staff is a blend of trusted, familiar faces joined by new folks who bring creative energy and ideas to guarantee specific attention to each student's needs. We welcomed Gr.1-2 teacher Kelly Youngberg, Art teacher Ruth Kaldor, and Jen Williams, who wears 3 hats: Library/Media Specialist, Technology Integrationist, & Student Support person. Our other highly qualified staff members include Janis Brisco (3-6 Humanities), Hanna Galinat (3-6 Math & Science), Irene Harvey (Special Education), Mary Cobb (French), Rose Sheehan (Guidance), Kevin Colosa (Music), Gina Ostrander (Physical Education), Cheryl Stevenson (Facilities Manager & PK Paraeducator), Alice Ruffner (Food Services), & Shirley Ryan (Administrative Assistant).

Much of our professional energy this year is invested in sharing and improving our practice with other CCSU colleagues as we align our instruction to Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts and Math, as well as the Next Generation Science Standards. PES teachers are all committed to the community and district goals of excellence in education to prepare our children for success beyond our town borders. A few highlights this year include the revision of staff and student behavioral expectations with a focus on Peacham PRIDE, the increase in meaningful technology integrated in all content areas, the strong focus on quality in student writing, the emphasis on critical thinking and real-world problem solving from PK-6 in both math and science, and the targeted instructional intervention for all levels of learners on a daily basis in LEAP (Learn-Explore-Assess-Progress) groups using data wisely.

Of course we cannot continue to fulfill our mission without community backing. PES staff and families are grateful for the strong show of support at last March's School Meeting. That positive spirit of renewal has carried us forward to make our school even better. We are still on a good path heading in the right direction.

Respectfully submitted with much Peacham PRIDE,
Judy Ross, Principal

Parent/Teacher/Friend Group Report

The PTF was created many years ago to support the school and its roll in the community, adding to the positive environment at the school where teachers can do their best work and students can do their best learning. The PTF continues 2014-2015 with Cornelia Hasenfuss as President, Jen Burchell as Treasurer, and Kerryanne Downer as Secretary. We have had many new additions to PTF this year and are very excited for the positive parental support!

Most recently the PTF has primarily focused on funding the ski and swim programs. Through several fundraisers and community events, we have been able to maintain this support as well as branch out and possibly even fund other areas of the school. We hope to expand our role by providing resources to the outdoor space project, teacher program grants and more.

The PTF funded ski program at Q- Burke continues to be an exciting learning opportunity for all our K-6 students. The program provides each student with equipment, lessons, and the opportunity to practice their new skills. The "Swim for Gym" Program will take place this spring, and is also fully funded by PTF.

This year we have already successfully completed several of our fundraisers and events. The Fall Foliage Luncheon was again very successful, the Halloween party very well attended, and our third annual Wreath Sale made over \$1000. New this year, some dedicated parents created and are maintaining an ice rink at the school, with open skating for the town and school members.

Upcoming PTF events include a spring seed and flower sale through Flower Power, in Calais Maine, Teacher appreciation week, as well as our biggest fundraiser, the Mud & Muck Auction, which will take place on March 28th, 2015 (Saturday 1:00-4:00.) The afternoon time seemed to work well last year and we are looking forward to seeing you all there! Start looking through your closets and attics for items for the Auction; this event is a fun community-building event.

Thanks to all parents and community members who have helped out so far this year in all of our events. Finally, we want to give a sincere thank you to Judy Ross, our principal for supporting the efforts of the PTF this year.

~Cornelia Hasenfuss, Jen Burchell, and Kerryanne Downer - PTF Officers

ELO-After School Program Report

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Donna Gaston, E.L.O. Project Director

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E.L.O. Director's Annual Report

January 2014

The E.L.O. (Extended Learning Opportunities) Program is now in its second year at the Barnet School, Peacham Elementary School, Danville School and Walden School. We operate academic and enrichment programs after school for students in Kindergarten through the 8th Grade during 4 eight week sessions. We also offered a five week summer program this year with students from Peacham being bused to Barnet and students from Walden being bused to Danville. Currently the program is funded by a 21st Century grant. By year five, we must provide 50% of the funding from other sources.

The program goals for the students are 1) to improve academic performance and 2) to demonstrate the 21st Century skills of collaboration and problem solving. In addition our program goals include 1) to increase the use of 21st Century skills and 2) to increase individual health and wellness.

Students have had a chance to experience a variety of program choices. They have filmed movies, held snakes, explored the French and Spanish languages, learned about astronomy, created and programmed robots out of Legos, explored nature, practiced their math skills, and learned about healthy living. Our students also engage in volunteer activities to help out their schools and their communities. These programs are taught by school day teachers; school day staff; community organizations; E.L.O. staff; and parent, grandparent, and community volunteers. The students also receive a healthy snack, outdoor free time, and homework help each day.

Attendance statistics for Session 2, which ended January 23rd, show that we had 54 students attending at Barnet (25% of student body), 31 students at Peacham (65%), 93 students at Danville (34%) and 45 students at Walden (48%). This summer we had 29 students from Barnet, 5 students from Peacham, 33 students from Danville and 17 students from Walden.

Vermont Afterschool reiterates the fact that “students who regularly attend quality ELT programs are less likely to be involved in risky behavior and juvenile crime; have better academic outcomes and are more engaged in learning; and have less absenteeism and are more likely to graduate high school.” At E.L.O. the students can find support and encouragement both academically and personally, and have the opportunity to experience a wide variety of activities in a safe and nurturing environment.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Gaston, Project Director

“It is the mission of the Caledonia Central Supervisory Union and its four member schools to create a learning community in which each individual can achieve the highest standards of excellence in intellectual growth and citizenship.”

Superintendent's Report

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Town Report

January 23, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

Caledonia Central Supervisor Union (CCSU) strives to create an educational system that meets the needs of all students we serve. In 2014-2015, all schools in CCSU adopted a Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS). This means that all students in our schools (k-8) receive an intervention based on their academic needs. Students are progress monitored on a regular basis to ensure academic growth. We are very pleased with the results we are seeing from implementing this model and will continue to perfect this as it becomes part of the culture in how we service our students.

In addition to adopting the MTSS model, CCSU is in the process of transitioning to The Common Core State Standards. Teachers throughout CCSU meet monthly to collaborate and create universal curriculum and units of study for our Supervisory Union. The teacher's efforts, and commitment to this process has been commendable. I'm very proud of the faculty, staff and administrators for their hard work and dedication, I'm honored to be part of Caledonia Central Supervisory Union.

The Central Office, School Boards and building administrators have been working collaboratively seeking cost efficiency in operations, while maintaining a high standard for educational opportunities for the children in our communities, and will continue to do so. At the Board level we are working on streamlining our district policies is into one systemic approach.

As we move forward as a system we will be looking as centralizing special education, improving our multi-tiered system of support to ensure that no child falls through the cracks and all children's academics needs are being met. We will continue to develop our curriculum in transitioning to the Common Core State Standards, to ensure that our students receive a rigors academic program.

It has been a privilege to serve the communities of Danville, Walden, Barnett and Peacham this year. The faculty and staff at Caledonia Central Supervisory Union stand ready to serve the children and families in our communities in anyway possible, in providing the best academic opportunities and supports we can.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Mathew G. Forest

Dr. Mathew G Forest

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